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District welcomes brand new facilities and safety for all



Rocky Hanna
Superintendent
Leon County Schools

Welcome to the 2019-2020 school year! First, let me say what a true honor it is for me to serve as superintendent. As both a product of our public school system and 30-year employee, this final chapter in my career is even more special.

Last year was extremely successful and we are very proud of our students' accomplishments both in and outside of the classroom. We also realize, however, there is still work to be done. Leon County Schools is a wonderful public school system and we simply cannot wait to see all of our students as they walk through the doors for the first time. Our teachers and staff are excited for their students to return on Aug. 12.

Now, let me tell you about a few of the exciting developments for this school year.

First, I want you to know that the safety of our students and staff will always be the driving force in our decision making. Every day we are working to ensure our district is ahead of the curve on implementing school safety best practices. We are fully committed to having a sworn law enforcement officer on every campus, every day. We have also hired unarmed security monitors to work hand-in-hand with law enforcement at all of our schools. Our district continues to operate a 24-hour security monitoring center and we are working on an array of access control and fencing projects on our campuses.

In just a few days some of our students will return back to school as the first to walk through new halls in state-of-the-art facilities.

This fall, James S. Rickards High will open a brand new 20-classroom wing. This building is the first of two to be completed over the next two years as part of a major \$35 million project that will completely reshape the entire campus. Every year, Rickards students ma-



Superintendent Rocky Hanna, center, cheers after cutting the ribbon at Fairview Middle School, signifying the opening of the school's new gymnasium March 26. ALICIA DEVINE/TALLAHASSEE DEMOCRAT

tricate on to Ivy League schools, Military Academies and some of the top institutions in the country. It is long past time that their facility mirrors those accomplishments. These state-of-the-art facilities join the brand new ball fields and tennis courts that were complete this past spring, continuing to remake the Rickards campus into the jewel of the Southside.

Fairview Middle will also open doors on a beautiful new wing that will feature a new front office, a spacious cafeteria and kitchen and one of the largest theatrical stages found on any middle school campus. This building is the second of three phases of construction and improvements taking place at Fairview, including renovating the gymnasium and a complete remodel of every inch of the existing buildings.

The \$20 million project will completely revitalize the campus and is scheduled to be completed by August 2021. The best part is that both of these major projects at Rickards and Fairview are set to be completed without having to borrow or bond new money!

We are also excited about a unique program that we will be piloting at Kate Sullivan Elementary this year. The transition into sixth grade can be tough. We understand that and are working to think outside of the box to assist.

This year, fourth and fifth grade Sullivan students will have an opportunity to take elective and arts classes on the Cobb Middle campus. This program will allow students to learn about the school and experience the feel of a middle school so that when the time comes to start sixth grade, students and parents

will be more prepared. We hope this pilot program will be replicated at other schools in the years to come.

Our district is committed to helping our students achieve at their highest level. There are so many positive things happening and wonderful stories taking place in all of our schools. We invite you to get involved at your school to find out more.

You can become a volunteer or mentor, join the parent organization or just spend additional time with your student in their school setting. It is an exciting time of year and we simply can't wait to see all of the great things that the 2019-2020 school year will bring.

Thank you for choosing Leon County Schools. If we can be of any assistance, do not hesitate to call 487-7100. I look forward to working with you this year.

LEON COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD INFORMATION

Membership

The Leon County School Board has five regular members and a student representative who is a nonvoting member.

Meetings

The board generally conducts meetings the second and fourth Tuesday of each month and one meeting each in November and December. All regular meetings begin at 6 p.m. at the Aquilina C. Howell Instructional Services Center, 3955 W Pensacola St.

Agenda

The board agenda is available after 5 p.m. on Tuesday the week before each meeting.

The agenda is available on the Leon County School District web site located at www.leonschools.net on the School Board page through BoardDocs link. Actions and minutes from past board meetings are also posted through the BoardDocs link.

To speak at a meeting, call the School Board assistant at 487-7110. Speakers may address the School Board upon request under "Persons to Be Heard" at the end of each regular meeting. Speakers may also be heard before any agenda item requiring action or during a public hearing and at the end of special workshops. A speaker card should be completed and turned in prior to the meeting and the speaker will have three minutes.

Members

Joy Bowen — Elected in 1998 to represent District 5, re-elected in 2002,



The Leon County School board is shown during the reorganization meeting at the Howell Center Tuesday, Nov. 20, 2018. TORI SCHNEIDER/TALLAHASSEE DEMOCRAT

2006, 2010, 2014 and 2018. Term expires in 2022. Occupation: Retired Florida State University administrator and now full-time School Board member. Contact: 850-575-5114.

Darryl Jones — Elected in 2018, Jones beat the longest-serving LCS school board member Maggie Lewis-Butler to represent District 3. Occupation: Deputy director of the Tallahassee-Leon County Office of Economic Vitality. Contact: 850-528-5241.

Rosanne Wood — Elected in 2016 to represent District 2. Term expires in 2020. Current School Board Chair. Occupation: lifelong educator and former principal of SAIL High School. Contact: 850-629-5110

DeeDee Rasmussen — Elected in 2008 to represent District 4 and re-elected in 2012 and 2016. Current School Board Vice Chair. Occupation: Executive Director, Florida Campus Compact. Contact: 850-201-2929.

Alva Striplin — Elected in 2014 to represent District 1. Re-elected in 2018 and term expires in 2022. Occupation: Chief Executive Officer, Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Big Bend. Contact: 850-363-1777.

Administrators

Rocky Hanna — Superintendent: Hanna was elected in November 2016. As Leon County's school superintendent, Hanna oversees all aspects of the management and operations of the school district in accordance with policy, which is set by the School Board.

Alan Cox — Assistant Superintendent School Management, ESE and Health Services: Supervises K-12 Schools, Special Sites (Everhart, and Pace Secondary), ESE, IDEA, PreK, Wellness, School Health Services, Student Services, Interdivisional Support Services, FDLRS

Michelle Gayle — Assistant Superintendent of Professional and Community Services: School Board Liaison, School Board Meetings, Human Resources, School Choice and Student Reassignment, Volunteers, Partners and Mentor Program, Foundation for Leon County Schools, Districtwide Accreditation, District Advisory Council, Policy and Procedures, Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), WLCS, Communications, District Webpage, Student Records, Lively Technical College, Adult and Community Education

Gillian Gregory — Assistant Superintendent of Academic Services: Supervises Instructional Materials, Instructional Technology, Federal and Non-Federal Grant Management, Professional Learning, Instructional/Curriculum Programs, Academic Areas of Technology and Information Services, School Improvement/School Accountability, Charter Schools, Administrators and Teacher Evaluation, Pre-K

Kathleen Rodgers — Assistant Superintendent, Intervention Services: DJJ Programs, Expulsions/Suspensions, Equity Services, DCF, Second Chance at Ghazvini Learning Center, Success Academy at Ghazvini Learning Center, Families in Transition Program, Title IX, Harassment/Discrimination/Bullying (students), Attendance, Truancy, Drug and Alcohol testing, Restorative Justice, Neglected and Delinquent Students, Second Chance at AMI Kids, Leon County Virtual School, PACE Center for Girls

Kim Banks — Chief Financial Officer.

District office

2757 W. Pensacola St.,
Tallahassee, FL 32304
www.leonschools.net

IMPORTANT LCS PHONE NUMBERS

Leon County Schools District Office
2757 W. Pensacola St.
Tallahassee, FL 32304
www.leonschools.net
Main number
487-7100
Special Programs and Sites
487-7125
Elementary
487-7106

Secondary
487-7239
Academic Services
487-7219
Early Childhood Programs
922-2099
ESE/Gifted
487-7160
Human Resources
487-7197

Safety and Security
922-5437
District Security Center (24 hours)
922-5437
School Board Office
487-7110
School Choice/School Zones
561-8484
Special Programs
487-7525

Student Activities
487-7364
Transportation (main line)
488-2636
Conner-Lakes Compound
922-6701
Cox Compound
922-6727
Volunteer and Mentor Services
487-7800

LEON COUNTY SCHOOLS 2019-2020 CALENDAR

August	December	March	June
5 Teachers report	18-19 Middle and high school exam days/Elementary, middle and high full days	13 End of third nine weeks	1-2 Teacher planning/inservice days
5-9 Teacher planning/inservice days	20 .. Middle and high school exam days/Elementary, middle and high half days	16-20 Spring break	1 Four-day work week begins
12 Students report	20 End of second nine weeks	23 Teacher planning/inservice day	TBD Summer Reading Academy and ESE Summer Services training
September	23-31 Winter holiday	24 Students return	TBD Summer Reading Academy and ESE Summer Services planning
2 Labor Day holiday	January	April	TBD ... First day of SRA and ESE Summer Services
30 Fall holiday	1-3 Winter holiday	10 Spring holiday	TBD SRA and ESE Summer Services
October	6 District staff and teachers return	May	July
11 End of first nine weeks	6 Teacher planning/inservice day	25 Memorial Day holiday	TBD SRA and ESE holiday break
14 Teacher planning/inservice day	7 Students return	27-29 Middle and high school exam days/Elementary, middle and high early release	2 Fourth of July holiday
November	20 Martin Luther King holiday	29 Last day of school/ End of fourth nine weeks	TBD . SRA and Summer Services resume
11 Veterans Day holiday	February		TBD SRA and Summer Services
25-29 Thanksgiving holiday	17 Presidents Day holiday		30 Last day of four-day work week

LEON COUNTY SCHOOLS START TIMES

Elementary Schools	Hours	Early Release
Apalachee	8:30-2:50	8:30-12:20
Astoria Park	8:30-2:50	8:30-12:20
Bond	8:15-2:50	8:30-12:20
Buck Lake	8:30-2:50	8:30-12:20
Canopy Oaks	8:30-2:50	8:30-12:20
Chaires	8:30-2:50	8:30-12:20
Conley	8:30-2:50	8:30-12:20
DeSoto Trail	8:30-2:50	8:30-12:20
Ft. Braden (K-8)	8:30-2:50	8:30-12:20
Gilchrist	8:30-2:50	8:30-12:20
Hartsfield	8:30-2:50	8:30-12:20
Hawks Rise	8:30-2:50	8:30-12:20
Killearn Lakes	8:30-2:50	8:30-12:20
W.T. Moore	8:30-2:50	8:30-12:20
Oak Ridge	8:15-2:50	8:30-12:20
Pineview	8:30-2:50	8:30-12:20
Riley	8:15-2:50	8:30-12:20
Roberts	8:30-2:50	8:30-12:20
Ruediger	8:30-2:50	8:30-12:20
Sabal Palm	8:30-2:50	8:30-12:20
Sealey	8:30-2:50	8:30-12:20
Springwood	8:30-2:50	8:30-12:20
Sullivan	8:30-2:50	8:30-12:20
Woodville (K-8)	8:30-2:50	8:30-12:20
Middle Schools	Hours	Early Release
Cobb	9:30-3:50	9:30-1:20
Deerlake	9:30-3:50	9:30-1:20
Fairview	9:30-3:50	9:30-1:20
Griffin	9:30-3:50	9:30-1:20
Montford	9:30-3:50	9:30-1:20
Nims	9:30-3:50	9:30-1:20
Raa	9:30-3:50	9:30-1:20

Swift Creek	9:30-3:50	9:30-1:20
High Schools	Hours	Early Release
Chiles	7:30-1:50	7:30-11:20
Godby	7:30-1:50	7:30-11:20
Leon	7:30-1:50	7:30-11:20
Lincoln	7:30-1:50	7:30-11:20
Rickards	7:30-1:50	7:30-11:20
SAIL	8:00-2:45	8:00-12:10
Special Sites/ Programs	Hours	Early Release
Adult Education	M-TH 7:30-6:30 Fri 7:00-3:30	
Early Childhood Programs	8:00-2:30	
Gretchen Everhart	9:00-3:00	9:00-12:30
Heritage Trails Community School	9:15-3:15	9:15-12:45
LC Virtual School	Office Hours 7:30 -5:00	
Lively Technical College	8:00-4:00 (4day) 8:00-2:30 (2day)	
Second Chance @ AMI	7:30 -1:30	7:00 - 11:00
The Success Academy @ GLC	8:30-2:50	8:30-12:20
Special Sites/ Programs	Hours	Early Release
School of Arts & Sciences	9:00-3:20 (K-3); 9:15-3:40 (4-8)	9:15-12:30 (K-3); 9:00-12:30 (4-8)
Tallahassee School of Math and Sciences	8:15-2:53	8:15-12:30
Governors Charter Academy	8:00-3:00	8:00-12:30
School of Arts and Sciences Cen-ter	8:30-3:00	8:30-11:45

LEON COUNTY SCHOOL RULES

The Student Code of Conduct is available at www.leonschools.net or you can obtain a hard copy upon request. Parents should review it with their child or children and then sign and return the acknowledgement form found in the booklet. Parents will also receive an attendance policy brochure at the beginning of the school year. There is a separate policy for elementary and middle school students and for high school students.

For more information, call your child's school or go online to www.leonschools.net.

Attendance

Students are required to attend school and arrive for classes on time. By law, excused absences include: illness or medical care; death in the family; religious holidays; those with prior approval by an administrator; and those with financial or other special circumstances. The principal or a designee determines whether an absence is excused.

In middle school, a student with an unexcused absence will receive a 0 for that class for that day and will be disciplined with detention or another consequence. The parent or guardian will be called. By the fourth unexcused absence, a meeting will be held with the student and parent. A fifth unexcused absence will result in the student's failing for the grading period in the courses involved.

In high school, a student who arrives unexcused to class up to 10 minutes after the scheduled beginning time will be considered tardy. Appropriate consequences will be applied for repeated tardiness. A student who arrives unexcused to class over 10 minutes after the scheduled beginning time shall be recorded as late. For each class, a student with unexcused absences and/or lates totaling 4 shall be assigned a grade of "F" for that nine week period if any absences or lates are unexcused. The school will attempt to notify a student's parent or guardian after each absence for which a reason was not submitted. Following the third absence, the school will send a letter to the parent or guardian. A meeting with the parent or guardian and the student will be held following the fourth absence during the nine week grading period to determine if any absences were unexcused.



The Lincoln High School Class of 2019 participated in their Commencement Ceremony at the Tucker Civic Center on Saturday, June 1.

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Driver's Licenses

Secondary students who accumulate 15 or more unexcused absences within 90 calendar days may become ineligible for driving privileges. Students who lose their driving privileges will have to demonstrate that they have been in school for 30 consecutive days without any absences. This applies to students enrolled in virtual school or a traditional bricks and mortar school.

Pledge of Allegiance

According to Florida Statutes, parents have the option of indicating whether they want their child(ren) to opt-out from participating in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Cellphones, digital devices

Cellphones, pagers, text-messaging devices, electronic games and other devices may not be used during the school day. For elementary and middle schools, a student must receive prior approval for use of such equipment at any time while under school supervision. For high school students, such equipment may not be used during the school day unless overseen by a teacher, but may be used before or after school or during

lunch. If they are used inappropriately during the school day, they can be confiscated and returned only to a parent or guardian.

Dress code

Dress and grooming must be clean, healthy and safe and must not be disruptive to the learning environment. Please reference your child's student handbook or agenda book to see the expectations for your school.

Discipline

It is the expectation of the Superintendent, School Board, administrators and teachers that students adhere to the school rules and be modeled citizens both in and out of school.

However, students may be suspended and expelled for infractions on school property, on a school bus, at a school bus stop, on the way home from school or at a school-sponsored event.

For a specific list of infractions, please reference your child's 2019-2020 Student Code of Conduct Book. You can request a hard copy of this book or access it online under "LCS Quick Links," at www.leonschools.net.

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Know the score, meet the teachers

Q. When does school start for the 2019 - 2020 school year?

A. The first day of classes for students is Monday, Aug. 12, 2019.

Your child should be at school, in class and ready to start the day, by 7:30 a.m. for high schools, 8:30 a.m. for elementary schools and 9:30 a.m. for middle schools.

As a rule, students should not be on the school grounds except during school hours or during extra-curricular activities in which they are personally involved. Supervision is generally provided from the arrival of the first bus or 30 minutes before the first bell, until the departure of the last bus or 30 minutes after the last bell.

Q. How can I find out which school my child is zoned to attend?

A. You can go to the district website www.leon.schools.net, go to the Parents and Students tab and then choose "Find Your School Zone" under quick links. You can also call the district's School Choice office at (850) 561-8484. They can determine your school zone from your address.

Q. How do I register my child for school?

A. Children who attended Leon County Schools last year are automatically registered for the next year. But if your child will be attending a public school in Leon County for the first time (or if you have moved to a new school zone), you will need to go to your zoned school to register.

When you go to the school to register, you will need to provide two proofs of your child's legal residence (address), immunizations as documented on the immunization record (entries should be dated and signed or initialed by the medical provider), birth date (an official birth certificate with a raised seal is preferable), and proof of a recent physical examination signed by your doctor.

Q. When can I register my child?

A. Now! Parents with children who will be en-

tering kindergarten or who will be attending public school in Leon County for the first time are encouraged to register their kids during pre-registration which schools generally hold in late April and/or early May for the next school year. Schools will continue taking registrations throughout the summer for new families moving to Tallahassee. In all cases, parents should contact their zoned schools to get the registration process started as soon as possible after securing their residence.

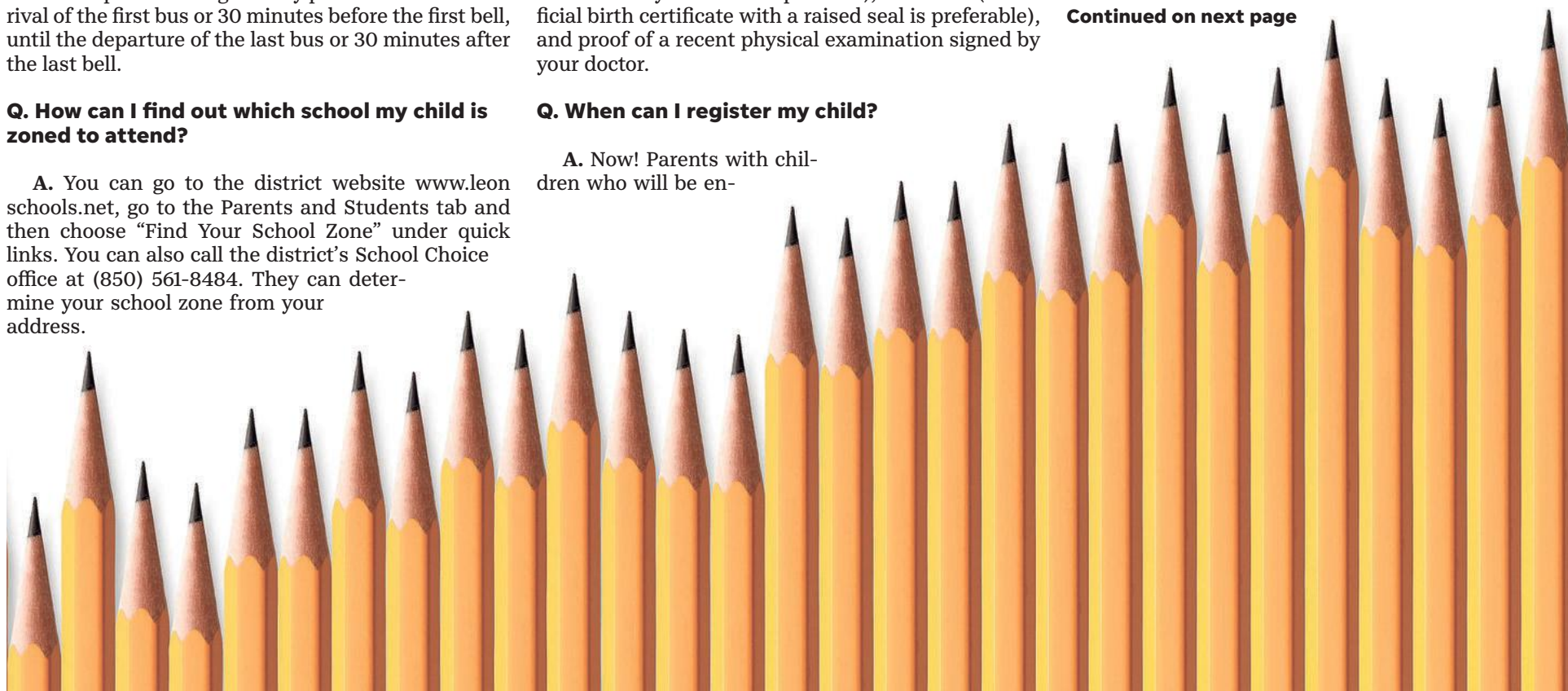
Q. How do I find out what class my child is in?

A. Most schools conduct their "Back-to-School Orientations" on the Friday before students return. Most high school orientations are scheduled from 8:30 until 10:30 a.m.; middle schools from 10:30 until 12:30; and elementary schools from 1:30 until 3:30 p.m. If you have children at different levels, we want you to be able to attend all of their orientations.

Many schools combine other activities with their orientation programs, so it's always best to confirm the details at your child's school by calling the school directly. When you are there for orientation, try to take time to walk through the campus with your child, especially if your child is new to the school. Identify the areas that will be important to his or her school day — the entrance to use or the bus-drop area, the route to the classroom where his or her day will begin, the office, and the cafeteria. You'll both be more comfortable if you "know the territory."

Class assignments are often made available at the school orientation program before school starts.

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Q. How do I get a copy of the district bus schedule?

A. You may access the district bus routes through the Transportation Department's web page at www.leonschools.net. In addition the Transportation Department will have a staff member available to provide information and answer questions at each school's Open House.

If you have any questions or concerns about the bus schedule, you should contact the school your child will be attending for clarification and assistance. If the school can't answer your question, you may call the Bus Compound for your area (Conner-Lakes Compound - 922-6701, Cox Compound - 922-6727, Appleyard Compound - 488-7572) for assistance.

Q. How will my child know what bus to get on at the end of the school day?

A. All schools will be having an orientation before school starts. To find out when, please go to <https://www.leonschools.net/> and click at the top "Choose School". You will see a listing of schools and click on your child's school. It should be listed on the school website. If not, please call the school for more information.

Q. What supplies will my child need on the first day of school?

A. Very little, really. They should have a packed lunch or lunch money, but the rest will come in time. Teachers will supply a list of needed items during the first few days. Some schools provide this information in advance so you may want to check with your child's school.



Danny Walker, 6, walks with his schoolmates to their first-grade class on the first day of school at Pineview Elementary on Monday, Aug. 13, 2018. JOE RONDONE/DEMOCRAT

Waiting for the list will help you avoid unnecessary and sometimes costly purchases. Secondary students will want to have a pen and paper for notes on that first day. And for very young children, it's helpful to tuck a little note in their pocket that indicates the child's name, bus number, and daytime phone number where you can be reached.

Q. When can I meet my child's teacher?

A. All schools will be holding an Open House night. It will be on Sept. 5 for most elementary schools, Sept. 12 for most middle schools, and Sept. 16 for most high schools. You should confirm exact dates with your school. Meeting your child's teacher(s) is one of the main

reasons for this event. The others are to familiarize you with your child's school routine and environment, and to give you an opportunity to learn what is expected of your child in class and in the way of special assignments and homework.

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Q. What about the school lunch program?

A. For the 2019-2020 School Year; students may purchase meals for the following prices: Elementary Schools breakfast is \$1 and lunch for \$2. Middle and High School's breakfasts are \$1 and lunch for \$2.25. Milk in all schools is \$.50. If students are on reduced price meals, they may buy breakfast for \$.30 and lunch for \$.40. Students at Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) schools may eat breakfast and lunch at no charge. For a complete list of CEP schools, please visit <http://leon-schools.schoolwires.net/Page/20849>.

Q. How does my child get the free or reduced-price lunch?

A. Applications will be available for students to take home on or before Aug. 1, 2019 at your child's school or you may apply for benefits on our website at www.myschoolapps.com. Computers are available to do online applications at all schools and at the Nutrition Services office at 3397 W. Tharpe Street. If your child qualified for meal benefits last year, he or she will maintain that status for the first 30 days of the new school year, or until the new application has been processed. If your child qualified for reduced-priced meals, the cost will be \$.30 for breakfast and \$.40 for lunch regardless of grade level.

Q. How soon can my child get special education services?

In-State Transfers:

If your child has a current IEP or EP and was served by an Exceptional Student Education (ESE) program in any other public school district in Florida during the last school year; placement can occur fairly quickly with verification through the district's ESE office. Leon County Schools will, in consultation with the parents, either adopt the student's IEP/EP from the previous Florida School District or develop and implement a new IEP/EP that meets the applicable requirements of State Board of Education rules and federal law.

Out-of-State Transfers:

For a student with disabilities transferring to Leon County Schools from an out-of-state public school the district will, in consultation with the parents provide services comparable to those described in the out-of-state IEP until a



Misty Peterson, an interpreter, helps kindergarteners Bella Barber, left, Thomas Morris and Kristiana Branham with a pumpkin-exploring activity at W.T. Moore Elementary School Oct. 22, 2018. TORI SCHNEIDER/TALLAHASSEE DEMOCRAT

Leon County Schools IEP is developed and implemented.

Students who transfer with gifted eligibility from another state are eligible to continue to receive gifted services in Florida public schools and may not be required to meet Florida gifted eligibility criteria. A gifted plan could include documentation from the previous school district in another state that the student was determined eligible for gifted services in accordance with the applicable requirements of that state and was receiving gifted services.

Parents with questions about ESE services should call the ESE Department at 487-7160.

Q. What about homework?

A. Schools are encouraged to send work home to reinforce what the students have learned that day. Homework is a great way for parents to keep up with a child's progress and to stay involved in

their education.

Providing a quiet time and place for your child to complete homework assignments reinforces the importance of education and helps the child do the work without distractions. By reviewing the completed homework with your child on a regular basis, you can monitor how your child is doing in school and detect if there are areas where encouragement or assistance is needed.

Q. How can I get involved at my child's school?

A. Supporting your child's education by getting involved at the school as a volunteer, mentor or partner can be a very rewarding experience. It also sends an unmistakable message to your child that education is a priority to you! Every school has a volunteer program and a person on site to coordinate volunteer efforts. Most schools also have a mentor coordinator to assist in placing ap-

proved mentors to work with our children. Find out who they are and get in touch to offer your services.

There are many, many ways to get involved — from tutoring in the classroom to serving on the school advisory committee. Make yourself known to the school office and to your child's teacher(s) as a parent who is ready and willing to help. The best time to do that is right away. Look for a place to sign up when you go to the orientation program before school starts. If you don't see a location to do this, please stop by the school office and introduce yourself and your child to the staff there. They can tell you how to reach the volunteer or mentor coordinator.

If you don't have children in school and want to become involved, you can contact the Volunteer Program Services Office at 487-7800, or visit the district website www.leonschools.net, District Departments, Volunteers.

Pony up your best stories this school year



CD Davidson-Hiers

Education reporter

Tallahassee Democrat

USA TODAY NETWORK – FLORIDA

Pensacola is my beach-y hometown, but home is North Florida: cotton fields, invasive beavers and a random gas station with feral kittens living in the culvert.

I'm from a little place called Molino, population of 1,277 in the 2010 Census. Google's featured image of my town is of the Old Molino Jail, established 1913.

It's a quiet place. Major crime involves high schoolers egging the neighbors' house across the street — she was a bus driver — and cows breaking out of their pastures. On occasion, someone would escape from prison and hide in our woods. We took that as it came.

When I was in kindergarten, my mom rode a horse to come pick me up from school and ponied a chestnut Welsh pony alongside. I waited in the carpoolers' crowd with a helmet in my backpack. Mom sat astride a black Thoroughbred named Magic in the car line with a pickup in front of her and an SUV behind.

Looking back, I realize how cool that was. But at the time, it was normal country school stuff. Folks knew not to honk and wave at us as we rode off, my backpack resting on the pony's rear, in case they frightened the horses. The books inside my bag probably couldn't tell if it was a horse or a bicycle jostling them.

I graduated from college not too long ago, and already school is much different than when I went. I don't yet know how much the changes have gotten into the students' psyche, but the Florida legislature's talks — and laws — about "hardening" schools affects my job. Social media posts that go viral affect my job. Data and statistics about mental health affect my job.

I write about the topics parents, students and anyone else reading about education in Leon County will find useful to know.

As a new school year begins again, families will start forming their own memories of each grade.

I remember kindergarten as my mom on horseback in the carpool line. Second grade brought the Great Lego Debacle and subsequent Lego Prohibition. Third grade was the year my classrooms went Upstairs.

It's an exciting time, and as the Tallahassee Democrat's education and families reporter, I'll be there for the whole ride.

Have a comment? Email CD Davidson-Hiers at CDavidsonH@tallahassee.com and follow her on Twitter @DavidsonHiers.



Find bus routes, times

To see bus routes and times, head online to <https://ewa.edulogweb.com/leonfl1webwq/webquery>. Enter your home address and grade level.

Check the databases

Our producer Yoonserk Pyun has created numerous databases for our readers. Those include an FSA testing scorecard, school grades, school demographics, graduation rates and information on educators reprimanded by the Florida Department of Education. See them all at data.tallahassee.com.

Make a difference, be a mentor

Each new school year brings excitement and the opportunity for the school system to offer relevant programs and meaningful educational experiences for students. For those of you who have been involved before, hopefully you will continue your work in this important partnership between school and community. If you have not been involved previously, there are abundant opportunities that directly benefit students.

Contact the LCS Volunteer Office at 850-487-7800 to speak to District Volunteer Coordinator Kelli Walker about volunteering, becoming a mentor or joining the Partners for Excellence Program as a business partner.

Share your stories

I want to share all the amazing things that are happening in and outside of local classrooms. Give me a call or send me an email about that cool new program at your school or the accomplishments your after-school programs are making. My office number is 850-599-2304 and my email is CDavidsonH@tallahassee.com

Pre-K students dressed to represent the book "Chicka Chicka Boom Boom" walk hand in hand during the Oak Ridge Elementary School literacy parade Friday, Feb. 1. The parade celebrated the end of Literacy Week in Leon County Schools.

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Be ready for child's first day of kindergarten

How can I prepare my child?

One of the most important things you can do to prepare your child for kindergarten is to attend orientation. Children are able to come to the school with their parent and meet their teacher. They also have the opportunity to meet other children so that there will be familiar faces when they arrive for the first day of school. This makes the transition easier and it gives children an idea of what to expect. Be sure to check with your child's school about when his/her orientation is scheduled.

You should also talk with your child so he/she will know what to expect. Read books about school and get your child excited for the year ahead.

Your child will be learning how to read in kindergarten. The kindergarten of today is very different from when we were children. Reading to your child at home for at least 15 minutes each day will help him/her with this challenging task. Talk to your child about the story and about the illustrations. This will help to improve your child's comprehension and listening skills. Reading with your child can be a special time each evening and offers an opportunity for you to talk about his/her school day.

And don't forget how important a good night's sleep is for your child. Young children require nine or more hours of sleep.

Where do I bring my child?

Every school has its own before-school policy; however, many kindergarten teachers prefer to have parents bring children to the classroom on the first day of school to confirm transportation home and important contact information. Be prepared to sign in at the front office with your Driver's License whenever you visit the school. Confirm with your child's school the procedure you need to follow on the first day of school.

How to have a great day

If your child is to be a bus rider make sure he/she knows the bus number, the color it is referred to, and the driver, if possible. Have your child begin his/her usual way of arriving and leaving school as soon as possible. The sooner he/she



Josemane Ancion welcomes Peter Erhiawarie, 5, to her kindergarten class on the first day of school at Pineview Elementary on Monday, Aug. 13, 2018.

JOE RONDONE/DEMOCRAT

gets used to a routine, the better.

The best way to help your child have a great first day of school is to get up early, making sure he/she has a nutritious breakfast and enough time to enjoy the morning without rushing. Encourage your child to do his/her morning routine with assistance from you. Dress your child for an active, fun-filled day. Closed-toed shoes and socks are most appropriate for playing outside. Put your child's name on lunch boxes and removable clothing. Remind your child of after school plans.

Make your goodbye short and sweet. Give a hug and kiss goodbye, and then leave without lingering. The more confident you are about leaving your child on the first day of school, the more comfortable the child will be in the new school environment. Almost always, tears stop once parents leave. If the teacher needs you, or feels your child needs you, he/she will call you.

What is the most common mistake?

All parents do a great job getting their children to school. However, be sure

that your child knows what he/she is supposed to do at the end of the school day. Also, be sure your child's teacher knows how your child is to go home. Even older children sometimes don't know if they are supposed to ride the bus, go to After School, go to car pick-up, or walk home. If your child rides the bus, be sure that he/she knows the right bus stop. Be aware that during the first week of school the buses often run a little late in the afternoons. If you have children in PreK, K, or 1st grade, you will receive transportation tags. Attach these to your child daily during that first week.

What happens on the first day?

On the first day of school you can expect your kindergartner to:

- Meet the teacher and any other teachers he/she may be involved with on that day.
- Make new friends and learn their names.
- Review the routine of the class and the school. (This will take some time)
- Make crafts.
- Get papers to bring home if you did not receive them during orientation.

The first week of school is an introduction and orientation to the school environment. Children will be learning names, procedures and becoming familiar with the school campus. Each night you should ask your child his/her teacher's name, what new friends he/she made that day and where he/she visited on campus.

What about snacks?

Check with your child's classroom teacher, as the need for snacks is determined by the teacher. Most kindergarten classes do have a snack time. Snacks need to be healthy and your child should be able to open his/her snack independently. Please do not pack your child's snack with his/her lunch, as it confuses the children and often times they may eat lunch at snack time or snack at lunch time.

When can I talk to the teacher?

Communicating with your child's teacher is very important. If you have questions or concerns, please be sure to let the teacher know so that answers can be given and problems solved. Sometimes, especially at the beginning of the year in kindergarten, children are hesitant to let their teacher know if they need something or if they need help. The first few weeks are such a big transition time for the children and the teachers are there to help.

It is important to understand that the teacher's first priority is to provide a safe learning environment. Conferences, either on the phone or in person, need to be scheduled. The school office will be more than happy to pass along messages so that the teacher can call you when not supervising the children.

How can I volunteer?

Let your child's teacher know that you would like to volunteer. Most teachers have a volunteer sign-up sheet at Orientation. To volunteer, you will need to complete the on-line volunteer application at volunteers.leonschools.net/volunteers/. Once you've completed the form, give it to the teacher and be patient. The class needs to bond and settle into the routine of the day before parents begin volunteering.

NOTES FROM THE SCHOOL NURSES

The school nurses from the Florida Department of Health in Leon County would like to share important information with parents and guardians about the health and safety of their children while attending school.

Most Leon County elementary, middle, and high school clinics are staffed with a school health assistant and several elementary schools have a licensed practical nurse assigned. All clinic staff are certified in CPR/AED, First Aid, and medication administration.

Who is the school nurse?

The school nurse is a registered nurse, licensed in Florida, who oversees and supervises the clinic staff. When on campus, the RN assesses sick and injured students, provides health education, and works with parents, physicians, principals, teachers, and other school staff to meet individual student health needs. She also makes appropriate health care referrals. The RNs are responsible for four or five schools each, which means they cannot be on site at each school every day. That is why it is important to inform and update the RN of health needs your child has or about

any changes to a MMP since she is the one legally responsible for delegating care.

What can the clinic do?

First aid for minor scrapes and injuries and temperature checks are performed by the clinic staff. The clinic also provides a safe, quiet environment for your child to rest briefly before returning to class or before being sent home due to an illness.

Giving medication is the responsibility of the clinic staff. Generally medication is only given to students who need to take it regularly during school hours. However, if your child needs to take medication for a temporary condition, this can also be managed through the clinic under most conditions. It may be necessary to discuss pain medications taken at school with the registered school nurse. Please check the "Accepting Medication from Parents FAQ" form and complete a Medication Permission Form for each medication needed.

If your child has a medical condition or serious allergy, please be sure to notify the RN so that she can plan for the appropriate care of your child.

What are health screenings?

Annual health screenings, mandated by the Florida Legislature for grades kindergarten, 1st, 3rd, and 6th, are coordinated by the RN. These health screenings include vision, hearing, scoliosis, height and weight. Screenings are conducted to identify possible problems which may impact your child's learning and overall health. If a problem is identified, the RN will often rescreen to verify the results and then notify the parent/guardian regarding an appropriate referral for further evaluation from a health care provider. If you wish to "opt out" of any health screenings, please check the appropriate boxes on the back of the Emergency Medical Information Card.

How can parents/guardians help?

Complete the purple-colored Emergency and Medical Information Card, return it to school, and update the information as necessary. It is crucial to keep the school office and clinic staff aware of changes in your emergency contact information so that you can be notified

immediately if your child becomes ill or injured.

Communicate your child's health needs to the registered nurse, teacher, and the clinic staff. Let the RN know about injuries or surgery your child may have throughout the school year—particularly if special accommodations are needed when he/she returns to school.

Remember that all medications are to be transported to and from school by a parent or guardian. In some situations, with doctor's approval, there are certain critical medications your child may be allowed to carry with them during the school day. Please contact the school nurse for special details.

Alert the principal and teacher if your child will need to take medication while on a field trip—especially an extended day or overnight—so that chaperones can be trained.

To find out the name and contact information of the registered nurse assigned to your child's school, call the Florida Department of Health in Leon County (606-8150-option #5), Leon County Schools Health Services (487-7184) or check with the office staff at your child's school.

IMMUNIZATION INFORMATION

Q. What immunizations does my child need to attend school in Florida/ Leon County?

A. Here are the 2019-2020 School Entry Requirements

Before attending school in Florida (kindergarten through 12th grade), each child must provide a Form DH 680, Florida Certification of Immunization, documenting the following vaccinations:

Public/Non-Public Schools Kindergarten through 12th Grade

- Four or five doses of diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis (DTaP) vaccine
- Three, four or five doses of polio vaccine*
- Two doses of measles-mumps-rubella (MMR) vaccine
- Two or three doses of hepatitis B (Hep B) vaccine
- Two doses of varicella (chickenpox) vaccine** for kindergarten through grade 7

- One dose of varicella vaccine** for grades 8 through 12

*If the fourth dose of vaccine is administered prior to the fourth birthday, a fifth dose of polio vaccine is required for kindergarten entry only.

**Varicella vaccine is not required if varicella disease is documented by the health care provider.

Seventh Grade Requirements:

In addition to kindergarten through 12th grade requirements, students must have the following vaccinations:

One dose of tetanus-diphtheria-pertussis (Tdap) vaccine in grades 7 through 12. An updated DH 680 form to include Tdap must be obtained for submission to the school.

For more information, please call the Florida Department of Health in Leon County, Immunization Program Office, at 606-8020.



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Make your mark with confidence this school year

Apurva Srivastava

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Welcome back parents, teachers, and students! A brand new school year is just around the corner and something tells me that this one is going to be great!

My name is Apurva Srivastava and I am a rising senior at James S. Rickards High School.

I also have the honor of serving as your 2019-2020 Leon County School Board Student Representative. As student representative I will have the pleasure of meeting and connecting with so many of the amazing people that make up the Leon County School System, as well as being a powerful advocate for your interests and needs.

School can be a tough time for many of us. Whether this is your first year starting school in Tallahassee or your last year of high school, we've all had our ups and downs but knowing our own worth is what keep us all together.

That is my challenge for all of you this year, to know your own limit and to strive to move past it. To not listen to the incessant buzz of those who want to tear you down but instead have the self confidence to venture out into the unknown and try something new.

I want you to make your own unique mark on this school year, whether that be through joining an organization at school that you've always wanted to try or by making a new friend, I urge you make this school year the most memorable and enjoyable one so far.

Leon County has always been a school system that prioritizes its ability to be direct and approachable to all its wonderful members, a reputation I plan on continuing. My email is Apurva30072@gmail.com if you feel as if there is anything I can personally help with or if you need to voice an concerns and comments you have.

Remember to make the most of this school year and that your happiness is my number one priority.

Apurva Srivastava is a rising senior at James S. Rickards High School and is the 2019-2020 Leon County School Board Student Representative.



Apurva Srivastava playing the guitar at Rickards.

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PRIVATE SCHOOLS

Bethel Christian Academy

406 N Bronough St., 222-6605
www.betheltally.org, Grades: PK-6

Betton Hills Preparatory

1815 N Meridian Road, 422-2464
www.bettonhills.com, Grades: PK-1

Betton Hills School

2205 Thomasville Road, 656-9211
www.bettonhillsschool.org, Grades: 1-12

Community Christian

4859 Kerry Forest Parkway, 893-6628
www.ccs-chargers.org, Grades: K-12

Cornerstone Learning Community

2524 Hartsfield Road, 386-5550
www.cornerstonelc.com, Grades: PK-8

Epiphany Lutheran School

8300 Deerlake Road W., 385-9822
www.epiphanystar.org, Grades: PK-18 months-3/4

Grassroots Free School

2458 Grassroots Way, 656-3629,
non-compulsory education for children ages 5-11,
www.grassrootsschool.org

Gingerbread Christian Academy

3324 N Monroe, 562-3169
www.gingerbreadchristianacademy.com, Grades:
Pre-K to 5th grade

Holy Comforter Episcopal

2001 Fleischmann Road, 383-1007
www.hces.org, Grades: Pre-K through 8th grade

John Paul II Catholic High

5100 Terrebone Drive, 201-5744
Grades: 9-12

Maclay School

3737 N Meridian Road, 893-2138
www.maclay.org, Grades: PK-12

Magnolia School

2705 W Tharpe St., 385-3834
themagnolia.school, Grades: K-8

North Florida Christian

3000 N Meridian Road, 386-6327
www.nflschool.org, Grades: PK-12

Rose Academy

1268-B Timberlane Road, 893-8743
www.roseacademy.org, Grades: K-8

Trinity Catholic

706 E. Brevard St., 222-0444
www.trinityknights.org, Grades: PK-8

LAB SCHOOLS

Tallahassee's two state universities are affiliated with laboratory schools. For more information, contact each school or visit its website.

FAMU Developmental Research School

400 W Orange Ave., 412-5930
www.famudrs.org, Grades: K-12

Florida State University School

3000 Schoolhouse Road
245-3700, www.fsus.school, Grades: K-12

Apalachee Elementary School



“ATMSA has the best combination of high expectations, diversity, arts integration, and technology-infused education in this area. My children had the opportunity to play violin starting in the first grade! The faculty and staff treated my children like their own, with care and compassion.”

— Sherry S



WHY CHOOSE APALACHEE?

Apalachee Tapestry Magnet School of the Arts (ATMSA) was established in 1999 as Leon County's first elementary magnet school. Since then, ATMSA has excelled in enhancing student education through artistic emphasis. Apalachee Tapestry infuses standard state-approved curricula with creative arts and cutting-edge technology as a means to improve the quality of education for the "whole" child. Through this rigorous academic curriculum for the arts, with performances at all levels, ATMSA provides enhanced learning opportunities to better prepare students for high school and beyond.

“When I tell my friends about Apalachee, I tell them that Apalachee is a hard working school where people are kind, they have dedicated teachers that help me learn, make good grades, and be successful. I enjoy being able to express myself daily in visual arts.”

— Hope W.

QUICK FACTS:

- Apalachee is one of just a handful of schools in the State of Florida recognized as a Florida Arts Achievement Model School.
- Students are able to explore various arts courses that include band, guitar, strings, choir, gardening, dance, visual arts, graphic arts, media arts, and drama.

Conley Elementary School



“My years at Conley gave me the foundation I needed to be successful in both the Pre-IB program at Fairview and now in the IB Program at Rickards High School. When I look back at my time at Conley, I remember the really good relationships I had with my teachers and how much I felt that they cared about me and my friends. I think Conley is the best elementary school for kids.” ”

— Taylor Tillander



WHY CHOOSE CONLEY?

Conley is a unique and fun place for students to learn and grow! At Conley, they believe they are a collective body of dedicated individuals who are passionate about meeting the student's individual needs and helping students become prepared for the STEM world in which they will live and thrive. Conley students are provided the opportunity to participate in hands-on interactive lessons integrating science, technology, early engineering, arts and mathematics.

“As a parent, business partner, and volunteer, it is extremely important to me to support the goals and mission of Conley. As a volunteer, I am able to do my part to help ensure that the school is in the best position to give my child and his peers the best education and experiences possible in order to help them successfully matriculate through the educational system because they are the future.” ”

— Barbara Walker

QUICK FACTS:

- Conley has monthly, school-wide S.T.E.A.M days where all classes engage in S.T.E.A.M activities for the entire day.
- Conley has multiple student clubs including book club, comic club, yoga, chorus, Swarm track club and safety patrol.

Hartsfield Elementary School



“ We have loved our experience at Hartsfield. I especially love the balance - outdoor time, arts, computer time, and classroom. Every adult at Hartsfield CARES, from the principal to the custodians. And the teachers are creative in their methods, really pushing the kids to think and be a positive part of society.”

— Jessica Comas



WHY CHOOSE HARTSFIELD?

Hartsfield Elementary is Leon County's PreK-5 school that focuses on educating the whole child and embracing diversity. Hartsfield is nestled in the Indian Head neighborhood amidst a community that cares and offers strong cornerstones of partnerships that provide mentoring, resources, and support. Getting a foundational education at Hartsfield means that your child will be exposed to a strong academic curriculum and extracurricular activities all set within a culture of caring, supported by teachers and staff who teach with heart and lead with soul.

“ I love Hartsfield because it makes me feel like I belong and that I'm cared about. Hartsfield does the most for us and makes sure we learn all that we can. I feel loved because the teachers and staff make sure that we are safe and happy.”

— Jayla

QUICK FACTS:

- Award Winning Chorus that has received numerous state competition awards, received monetary awards and was invited to sing at Carnegie Hall.
- Hartsfield is a Conscious Discipline and Trauma Informed School that focuses on developing the whole child with an emphasis on the socio-emotional health of each learner.

W.T. Moore Elementary School



“ I have seen firsthand the talented administration and faculty, and their dedication to teach and support their students. When you walk through the hallways of this school, you can feel the joy and happiness of students and teachers alike.”

— Perry Dissmore



WHY CHOOSE W.T. MOORE?

Celebrating 50 years of excellence, W. T. Moore is home to learners who are welcomed each day by a warm, loving, and prepared faculty and staff. Located in East Tallahassee, Moore was founded in 1968 as an innovative school community, a tradition that continues to this day.

“ From the beginning of school I noticed how friendly and kind each staff member is, both to my daughter and to my family. W.T. Moore continues to meet and exceed my very high expectations—they are eager to have parents and volunteers involved and included. ”

— Ellie Hieronymus

QUICK FACTS:

- Spanish is offered on Special Area Rotation for all students in all grades.
- W.T. Moore has started the process to become an IB Primary Years Program School.

Sealey Elementary School



“Being a “Sealey Superstar” helped my son become a responsible and independent learner. No matter where his academic career may carry him, the skills learned at Sealey will always be his foundation. We are forever grateful for the learning environment Sealey Elementary provided and can positively affirm our experience has been wonderful.”

— K. Lambert



WHY CHOOSE SEALEY?

Sealey is committed to meeting the needs of ALL students while working closely with parents. Sealey is a small, diverse school with a family-like feel. High expectations are set and effective instructional practices are used to help students reach each goal. Our teacher turnover rate is extremely low – consistency in the classrooms matter! Our teachers are knowledgeable and passionate about their important work of teaching. Students are provided many opportunities to learn and grow in and outside of the classroom setting--we offer Strings, Math Competition Club, Green Team Recycling Club, Patrols, Girls on the Run, and a Robotics Club.

“Since being at Sealey, our son has progressed, both academically and emotionally, making A/B Honor Roll consistently, participating in extra-curricular activities, and he adores his teachers and the staff. Sealey goes above and beyond, providing so many opportunities for the students to thrive and we are eternally grateful.”

— Mary-Imani Rutherford, mother of a fifth grader

QUICK FACTS:

- Sealey is a Math and Science Magnet School accepting students Kindergarten – Fifth.
- Sealey has been providing students with a quality elementary education since the 1930's.

Kate Sullivan Elementary School



“ We love Kate Sullivan! We have two children and are on our seventh year with a child here. Every year we have had wonderful teachers. The staff is very caring and they have become like family. They love and care for our children and we appreciate them so much. I recommend Kate Sullivan to families whenever I can.”

— Melissa Rudd



WHY CHOOSE KATE SULLIVAN?

Kate Sullivan offers a well-rounded education for all learners in all areas of study (academics, STEM, and the Arts). The school offers the Learning Enrichment and Acceleration Program (LEAP) that provides acceleration in reading and math for advanced kindergartners and first graders. Every student is involved in the iLead Program where students track their own progress and maintain information in iLead notebooks. Sullivan is also home to a very innovative arts program that features both the visual arts and music. There is something for everyone at Kate Sullivan Elementary!

“ This is a place where every child is valued and is nurtured as a student and as a citizen. There is mutual respect between the faculty, administration, and students.”

— Meg Guyton, Mentor Coordinator

QUICK FACTS:

- In 2016, Kate Sullivan Elementary received the “Champion of Service Award” in conjunction with the Cobb Middle School Beta Club for their Math Academy.
- Four legged friends help students learn to read with the TMH Reading Education Assistance Dogs program.

Fort Braden School



“Fort Braden administrators, teachers, and staff have been an extension of my family. They have always provided a positive, enriching, and encouraging environment for my children to learn, grow, and become successful.” ”

— Karen Willett



WHY CHOOSE FORT BRADEN?

Fort Braden takes great pride in providing a comprehensive pre-k through 8th grade experience that includes advanced and high school credit courses, band, fine arts, technology certification, extracurricular activities and a fully functional culinary lab in 6-8 grades.

At Fort Braden we look forward to preparing all of our students for job opportunities in an increasingly global world of work. We value persistence, great citizenship, and a rigorous academic schedule that will empower our students to be successful and responsible adults.

“Fort Braden is not just about learning. It's about finding your place, coming together and pushing your limits. This isn't just a school, it's a family.”

— Amia Wade, 7th Grade

QUICK FACTS:

- Received the statewide Florida Department of Education's Family & Community Involvement Award District Winner for the Fort Braden Reads Program.
- Home of the Junior Ranger Program – In conjunction with Wakulla Springs student are able to complete activities to earn credit towards becoming a Florida Junior Ranger.

Woodville School



“Woodville PreK-8 School is a great school with amazing administration, teachers, and staff that really connect with the students and parents. My son, Warren, has been attending since kindergarten and is currently in 7th Grade. He continues to thrive and excel with the personal guidance from his teachers.” ”
— Yolanda Cave, Woodville Parent



WHY CHOOSE WOODVILLE?

Just 16 minutes from the state capital, Woodville is one of only two Pre-K through 8th grade sites in Leon County. Woodville will begin to integrate agriculture instruction in all grade levels supported by a grant from the US Department of Agriculture. Students will learn about nutrition, where their food comes from and what living things need to survive. All grade levels will be exposed to new produce that we grow in our very own gardens throughout campus! .

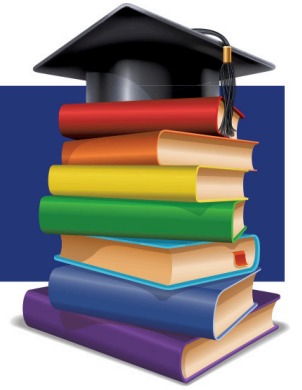
“I’ve been a student at Woodville for 6 years; I started in kindergarten. I wouldn’t trade being at one school for anything. It helps that the teachers are supportive, kind, and always willing to help you. I am an avid reader and the media center always has the books I am looking for.” ”

— Dax Anderson, Woodville 5th grader

QUICK FACTS:

- As a K-8 school, 4th and 5th grade students have the unique opportunity to participate in athletics.
- Media Center is home to six WE DO 2.0 Kits and six Mindstorm Kits, plus 3D printers coming soon!

Cobb Middle School



“ The Cobb Middle School Magnet Program has been incredible for my daughter. She has been both challenged and nurtured by teachers who are among the best in the county at a middle school that values engagement, curiosity and community. It has been a perfect fit! ”

— Renee Thompson, 8th grade



WHY CHOOSE COBB?

Cobb has been a “School of Choice” for the Applied Science and Technology Magnet Program, offering a rigorous curriculum for students interested in exploring their education through a hands-on approach. In addition to our intensive academic programs, which allow for more individualized instruction, and gifted curriculum, Cobb also offers high school courses in, science, mathematics, computer science and foreign languages.

“ My eagerness and dedication to remain a life-long learner was inspired during my time at Cobb. And it was there, as a member of SFEA, that I determined that my life purpose and passion would be to teach. Once a Cub, always a Cub! ”

— Brandon Young, LCS Teacher & Former Cobb Cub

QUICK FACTS:

- Cobb Middle School is an important partner with Florida State University in a National Science Foundation project developing computer science curriculum modules that teach middle-school mathematics and computer science simultaneously.
- Robust performing arts curriculum including chorus, band, drama, orchestra, and guitar.

Fairview Middle School



“ Once I came out and visited Fairview, I knew my son would fit perfectly into what they have created. The support given to the students is like nothing I have ever seen. The foundations laid for my son, and the others at the school, will be carried with them for years.”

— Tomica Smith



WHY CHOOSE FAIRVIEW?

Fairview Middle IB Preparatory Magnet Program is an advanced program of study designed to accelerate the educational experience of students in all curriculum areas. Students in IB Prep may earn up to eight high school credits, including Algebra and Geometry Honors, Physical Science and Biology Honors, Honors Spanish and French, Chinese, and Journalism. The accelerated curriculum is balanced with promoting a well-rounded education, with students involved in programs such as jazz and symphonic band, orchestra, chorus, and drama, as well as athletics and community service. Morning and afternoon transportation is provided for all IB Prep magnet students from any home in Leon County.

“ I was nervous when I began, but the teachers were always very supportive and I never felt like I couldn't approach one if I needed something. Every day was a different learning experience and it pushed us to master time management and study skills.”

— Marquelle Ogletree

QUICK FACTS:

- Nationally ranked Math Team; two Quiz Bowl teams qualified for Nationals in 2018 and our Science Olympiad team qualifies for the regional competitions annually.
- Over the next three years, we will have a new gymnasium, a new front office and café, a remodeled school with the latest and greatest in technology, and a new parking lot!

Griffin Middle School



“Griffin is a very special place for me and my family. My four children have attended Griffin Middle School and they loved it! Griffin set a solid foundation for their learning path and it prepared them for high school.”

— Veronica Rios, Parent



WHY CHOOSE GRIFFIN?

At the “Next Generation” Griffin Middle School, the educational offerings are competitive, well-rounded and rich in technology. Our campus offers “state of the art” technologies to include a variety of wireless technologies, computer labs, a demonstration lab, 3-D printing capabilities, a robotics program, and more. Our Technology Academy is dedicated to transforming education through thoughtful integration with the most current knowledge of how students learn. Throughout their time at Griffin, students can select to join pathways – business or design – that cater to their interests, provide opportunities to earn certifications and tools, and prepare them for the rigor of high school.

“My experience has been great because I have met really good friends and especially awesome teachers. I really enjoy coming to school every day and having every one say “hi” to me. I am sad that in few months I will be leaving, but I’m sure that Griffin Middle School has prepared me well for any challenge.”

— M Roberta Cobb, 8th Grade Student

QUICK FACTS:

- Griffin has been designated a Career and Professional Education center providing pathways for students to earn professional industry certifications.
- The Information Technology Academy prepares students for college and career pathways.

R. Frank Nims Middle School



“During the three years my daughter spent on campus we had the opportunity to see the school improve. I could see and feel the excitement on campus, the improvement in grades, the reduction in student disciplinary necessities, the friendly atmosphere and the willingness of the staff to go the extra mile.” ”

— Donald Thomas



WHY CHOOSE R. FRANK NIMS?

R. Frank Nims Middle School offers a variety of advanced and high school courses in all core subject areas. We offer computer programming, robotics, and engineering courses in our STEM program for all grade levels. We have an award winning Performing Arts Program which is highlighted by our Trojan Fly Girls Dance Team, Trojan Band, and Trojan Dolls Majorettes. R. Frank Nims Middle School also offers the Nims Trojan Success Academy (NTSA) which is designed to help students complete grade recovery in order to get back on track.

“I love Nims because of the love and support the teachers give my child and how they help him to grow and pursue his education. I love Nims because of the warmth and kindness from teachers and office staff whenever I come to the school. My child loves coming to school every day. I feel safe sending my child to R. Frank Nims Middle School ”

— Jean Barner

QUICK FACTS:

- Nims Middle School has increased its school grade by 5% points over the last two years. The 2018 score was the highest score for Nims since the FSA was introduced during the 2014/15 school year.
- Small Class Sizes - 19 to 1 Student to Teacher Ratio and they offer ten Mac Computer Labs, ICT Certification Courses.

Raa Middle School



“ Before I got to Raa I had limited knowledge of music, but over these three years I have had the opportunity to grow my talents immensely. Now, I am currently the only violist from Leon County to make the 2019 Middle School All-State Orchestra. I love what I have been able to accomplish through the support of my Raa family. ”

— Nia Morgan, 8th Grade Student



WHY CHOOSE RAA?

As the premier Middle School Arts Magnet School, Raa offers various degrees of Band, Guitar, Orchestra, Chorus, Theater, Piano, Steel Drums, Dance, Spanish, Building Construction and state-recognized pre-apprentice certification, Digital Design with Photoshop Certification, and Studio Art. Arts magnet students are paired with arts mentors from the community and from our colleges and universities to provide an additional layer of support with students developing their craft and exploring their interests. Furthermore, students are provided with opportunities to participate in specific arts exploration field trips and are eligible for arts scholarships at the end of their 8th grade year.

“ I have learned the value of teamwork and respect while being at Raa Middle. Moving into high school will be a big change, but Raa has definitely prepared me for it. ”

— Mikale Myrick, 8th Grade Student

QUICK FACTS:

- Partnerships with the Kennedy Center in Washington, DC, the Council on Culture and Arts, and many others to bring about targeted programming to enhance student's exposure to visual and performing arts.
- RAA has the only middle school shop program in the school district.

Godby High School



“ I choose Godby High for my boys because of the magnet programs. Two of my sons completed the Information Technology track with certifications and are currently working in the IT field. Godby rigorously prepared my boys for college and beyond—I am eternally grateful. ”

— Michelle Richardson



WHY CHOOSE GODBY?

Godby High School offers its diverse population many different educational opportunities. While attending traditional classes at Godby High School, students can choose to be a part of our College Academy and work towards their A.A. degree, work in Welding, the Certified Nursing Assistant's Program or take to the skies in the Aviation or Engineering programs. Godby High School fits the needs of each one of their students.

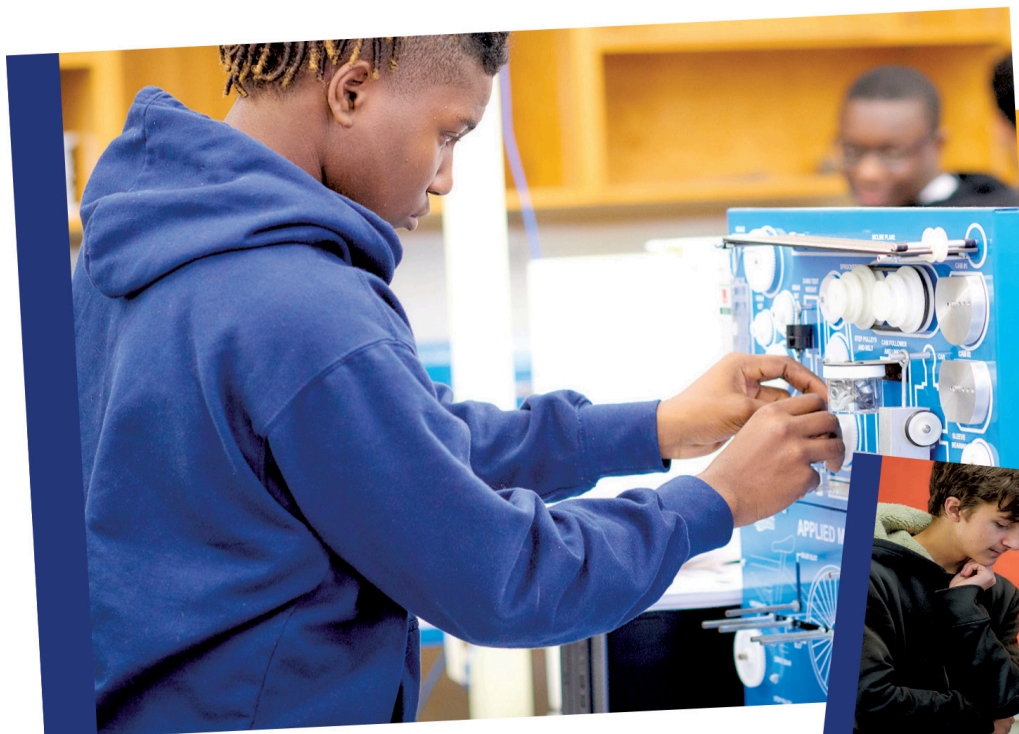
“ Godby is a place where I learned life lessons that I will be carrying with me for years to come. To be a Godby Cougar is to have the utmost pride and respect in your school and its campus. It's the way you represent the colors of blue and white on the field, in the class and in life. ”

— Tia Huie

QUICK FACTS:

- Dual Enrollment Connection directly to Tallahassee Community College
- Leads the district in the amount of industry certification earned by students.

Rickards High School



“The alma mater really embodies how Rickards shapes you as a person; the memories it leaves you with and this sort of feeling of belonging to this group of Raiders.”

— Mamie Odom '2018



WHY CHOOSE RICKARDS?

The vision of Rickards High School is to provide students with a caring, supportive learning environment that allows them to reach their maximum potential through quality programs, instruction and experiences. We are an IB World School who offers a variety of academic tracks for our students: Health Academy, Engineering Academy, AVID Program, and Industry Certification Programs. Rickards offers 15 Athletics Programs and a wide variety of clubs, including but not limited to Robotics, Mu Alpha Theta, and Brain Bowl.

Rickards' Music Program has received superior ratings and offers courses in guitar, orchestra and jazz. We welcome assistance with helping us achieve our mission so that we can fully realize the vision for James S. Rickards High School. We believe that together we can make a difference in the lives of our students and our surrounding community!

QUICK FACTS:

- Offers International Baccalaureate, Advanced Placement and Dual Enrollment Courses.
- Coming soon an entirely new, state of the art campus with courtyard, sports fields, and tennis courts.

Grades&Stats: Elementary Schools

APALACHEE

GRADE: C



Address: 650 Trojan Trail, 32311
Phone: 488-7110
School times: 8:30 a.m.-2:50 p.m.
Principal: Jennifer Ricardo
Website: <https://www.leonschools.net/apalachee>

Academics

Scoring at/above grade level:	2017-'18	2018-'19
FSA ELA	44%	44%
FSA Math	56%	55%

Demographics

Total students	650	
Black students	513	80%
White students	56	8.7%
Other/minority students	72	11.2%
Gifted students	No data	No data
Students with exceptionalities	111	17.1%
Free and reduced lunch		65%
Teachers	45	
Black teachers	19	42.2%
White teachers	25	55.6%
Other/minority teachers	1	2.2%
0-5 years experience	22	51.2%
6-14 years experience	16	37.2%
15+ years experience	5	11.6%

BUCK LAKE

GRADE: A



Address: 1600 Pedrick Road
Phone: 488-6133
School times: 8:30 a.m.-2:50 p.m.
Principal: William Millard
Website: <https://www.leonschools.net/bucklake>

Academics

Scoring at/above grade level:	2017-'18	2018-'19
FSA ELA	79%	79%
FSA Math	80%	80%

Demographics

Total students	761	
Black students	86	11.3%
White students	485	63.9%
Other/minority students	188	24.7%
Gifted students	22	2.9%
Students with exceptionalities	94	12.4%
Free and reduced lunch		15%
Teachers	46	
Black teachers	3	6.5%
White teachers	38	82.6%
Other/minority teachers	5	10.9%
0-5 years experience	10	20%
6-14 years experience	16	32%
15+ years experience	24	48%

ASTORIA PARK

GRADE: C



Address: 2465 Atlas Road, 32303
Phone: 488-4673
School times: 8:30 a.m.-2:50 p.m.
Principal: David Solz
Website: <https://www.leonschools.net/astoriapark>

Academics

Scoring at/above grade level:	2017-'18	2018-'19
FSA ELA	45%	37%
FSA Math	43%	46%

Demographics

Total students	602	
Black students	513	86.1%
White students	40	6.7%
Other/minority students	43	7.2%
Gifted students	No data	No data
Students with exceptionalities	107	17.8%
Free and reduced lunch rate		72%
Teachers	37	
Black teachers	21	56.8%
White teachers	14	37.8%
Other/minority teachers	2	5.4%
0-5 years experience	13	33.3%
6-14 years experience	12	30.8%
15+ years experience	14	35.9%

CANOPY OAKS

GRADE: B



Address: 3250 Point View Road
Phone: 488-3301
School times: 8:30 a.m.-2:50 p.m.
Principal: Paul Lambert
Website: <https://www.leonschools.net/canopyoaks>

Academics

Scoring at/above grade level:	2017-'18	2018-'19
FSA ELA	63%	66%
FSA Math	57%	63%

Demographics

Total students	727	
Black students	173	24%
White students	472	65.5%
Hispanic/Latino	29	4%
Two or more races	47	6.5%
Gifted students	20	2.8%
Students with exceptionalities	128	17.6%
Free and reduced lunch		38%
Teachers	46	
Black teachers	4	8.7%
White teachers	39	84.8%
Other/minority teachers	3	6.5%
0-5 years experience	19	41.3%
6-14 years experience	18	39.1%
15+ years experience	14	31.8%

BOND

GRADE: D



Address: 2204 Saxon St.
Phone: 488-7676
School times: 8:30 a.m.-2:50 p.m.
Principal: Delshuana Jackson
Website: <https://www.leonschools.net/bond>

Academics

Scoring at/above grade level:	2017-'18	2018-'19
FSA ELA	30%	23%
FSA Math	44%	49%

Demographics

Total students	649	
Black students	605	93.4%
White students	12	1.9%
Other/minority students	31	4.7%
Gifted students	No data	No data
Students with exceptionalities	113	17.4%
Free and reduced lunch		86%
Teachers	42	
Black teachers	35	83.3%
White teachers	5	11.9%
Other/minority teachers	2	4.8%
0-5 years experience	14	28%
6-14 years experience	18	36%
15+ years experience	18	36%

CHAIRES

GRADE: C



Address: 4774 Chaires Cross Road
Phone: 488-5977
School times: 8:30 a.m.-2:50 p.m.
Principal: Michele Prescott
Website: <https://www.leonschools.net/chaieres>

Academics

Scoring at/above grade level:	2017-'18	2018-'19
FSA ELA	57%	53%
FSA Math	63%	56%

Demographics

Total students	527	
Black students	165	31.5%
White students	329	62.9%
Other/minority students	29	5.6%
Gifted students	No data	No data
Students with exceptionalities	119	22.6%
Free and reduced lunch		48%
Teachers	37	
Black teachers	5	13.5%
White teachers	29	78.4%
Other/minority teachers	3	8.1%
0-5 years experience	11	27.5%
6-14 years experience	13	32.5%
15+ years experience	16	40%

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CONLEY

GRADE: C



Address: 2400 Orange Avenue East
Phone: 488-5610
School times: 8:30 a.m.-2:50 p.m.
Principal: Jason Koerner
Website: <https://www.leonschools.net/conley>

Academics

Scoring at/above grade level:	2017-'18	2018-'19
FSA ELA	65%	61%
FSA Math	68%	57%

Demographics

Total students	835	
Black students	378	45.4%
White students	265	31.8%
Other/minority students	190	22.8%
Gifted students	14	1.7%
Students with exceptionalities	157	18.9%
Free and reduced lunch rate		46%

Teachers	53	
Black teachers	8	15.1%
White teachers	43	81.1%
Other/minority teachers	2	3.8%
0-5 years experience	10	19.6%
6-14 years experience	18	35.3%
15+ years experience	23	45.1%

GILCHRIST

GRADE: A



Address: 1301 Timberlane Road
Phone: 487-4310
School times: 8:30 a.m.-2:50 p.m.
Principal: Scotty Crowe
Website: <https://www.leonschools.net/gilchrist>

Academics

Scoring at/above grade level:	2017-'18	2018-'19
FSA ELA	82%	83%
FSA Math	85%	87%

Demographics

Total students	955	
Black students	125	13.1%
White students	656	68.8%
Other/minority students	173	18.1%
Gifted students	131	13.7%
Students with exceptionalities	99	10.4%
Free and reduced lunch rate		24%

Teachers	63	
Black teachers	5	7.9%
White teachers	55	87.3%
Other/minority teachers	3	4.8%
0-5 years experience	14	24.1%
6-14 years experience	21	36.2%
15+ years experience	23	39.7%

DESOTO

GRADE: A



Address: 5200 Tredington Park Drive
Phone: 488-4511
School times: 8:30 a.m.-2:50 p.m.
Principal: Michele Keltner
Website: <https://www.leonschools.net/desototrail>

Academics

Scoring at/above grade level:	2017-'18	2018-'19
FSA ELA	83%	83%
FSA Math	88%	83%

Demographics

Total students	677	
Black students	61	9.1%
White students	531	78.9%
Other/minority students	81	12%
Gifted students	26	3.8%
Students with exceptionalities	116	
Free and reduced lunch rate		18%

Teachers	43	
Black teachers	3	7%
White teachers	35	81.4%
Other/minority teachers	5	11.6%
0-5 years experience	7	16.3%
6-14 years experience	15	34.9%
15+ years experience	21	48.8%

HARTSFIELD

GRADE: C



Address: 1414 Chowkeebin Nene
Phone: 488-7322
School times: 8:30 a.m.-2:50 p.m.
Principal: Rhonda Blackwell-Flanagan
Website: <https://www.leonschools.net/hartsfield>

Academics

Scoring at/above grade level:	2017-'18	2018-'19
FSA ELA	39%	33%
FSA Math	45%	48%

Demographics

Total students	466	
Black students	389	87.4%
White students	41	9.2%
Other/minority students	15	3.4%
Gifted students	No data	No data
Students with exceptionalities	118	25.3%
Free and reduced lunch rate		71%

Teachers	32	
Black teachers	15	46.9%
White teachers	17	53.1%
Other/minority teachers	0	0%
0-5 years experience	15	40.5%
6-14 years experience	12	32.4%
15+ years experience	10	27%

FORT BRADEN (K-8)

GRADE: C



Address: 15100 Blountstown Highway
Phone: 488-9374
School times: 8:30 a.m.-2:50 p.m.
Principal: Jim Jackson
Website: <https://www.leonschools.net/ftbraden>

Academics

Scoring at/above grade level:	2017-'18	2018-'19
FSA ELA	42%	44%
FSA Math	48%	53%

Demographics

Total students	845	
Black students	117	13.9%
White students	519	61.6%
Other/minority students	206	24.5%
Gifted students	No data	No data
Students with exceptionalities	161	19%
Free and reduced lunch		67%

Teachers	49	
Black teachers	1	2%
White teachers	46	93.9%
Other/minority teachers	2	4%
0-5 years experience	22	44%
6-14 years experience	17	34%
15+ years experience	11	22%

HAWKS RISE

GRADE: A



Address: 205 Meadow Ridge Road
Phone: 487-4733
School times: 8:30-2:50
Principal: Evy Friend
Website: <https://www.leonschools.net/hawksrise>

Academics







Scoring at/above grade level:	2017-'18	2018-'19
FSA ELA	84%	87%
FSA Math	84%	88%

Demographics

Total students	870	
Black students	105	12.1%
White students	544	62.5%
Other/minority students	221	25.3%
Gifted students	54	6.2%
Students with exceptionalities	145	16.7%
Free and reduced lunch rate		15%

Teachers	56	
Black teachers	4	7.1%
White teachers	51	91.1%
Other/minority teachers	1	1.8%
0-5 years experience	10	22.7%
6-14 years experience	14	31.8%
15+ years experience	20	45.5%


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KILLEARN LAKES			GRADE: A		
			Address: 8037 Deerlake Drive East Phone: 921-1265 School times: 8:30 a.m.-2:50 p.m. Principal: Brenda Wagner Website: https://www.leonschools.net/killlearnlakes		
Academics					
Scoring at/above grade level:			2017-'18	2017-'18	
FSA ELA			85%	83%	
FSA Math			88%	84%	
Demographics					
Total students			860		
Black students			54	6.3%	
White students			675	79%	
Other/minority students			125	14.6%	
Gifted students			33	3.8%	
Students with exceptionalities			125	14.5%	
Free and reduced lunch rate				14%	
Teachers			52		
Black teachers			4	7.7%	
White teachers			45	86.5%	
Other/minority teachers			3	5.7%	
0-5 years experience			8	15.1%	
6-14 years experience			16	30.2%	
15+ years experience			29	54.7%	
W.T. MOORE			GRADE: C		
			Address: 1706 Dempsey Mayo Road Phone: 488-2858 School times: 8:30 a.m.-2:50 p.m. Principal: Kerri Anderson Website: https://www.leonschools.net/moore		
Academics					
Scoring at/above grade level:			2017-'18	2018-'19	
FSA ELA			62%	58%	
FSA Math			59%	56%	
Demographics					
Total students			662		
Black students			310	46.9%	
White students			226	34.2%	
Other/minority students			125	19%	
Gifted students			19	2.9%	
Students with exceptionalities			119	18%	
Free and reduced lunch rate				39%	
Teachers			43		
Black teachers			10	23.3%	
White teachers			30	69.8%	
Other/minority teachers			3	7%	
0-5 years experience			11	26.2%	
6-14 years experience			20	47.7%	
15+ years experience			11	26.2%	
OAK RIDGE			GRADE: C		
			Address: 4530 Shelfer Road Phone: 488-3124 School times: 8:15 a.m.-2:50 p.m. Principal: Jasmine Smith Website: https://www.leonschools.net/oakridge		
Academics					
Scoring at/above grade level:			2017-'18	2018-'19	
FSA ELA			37%	42%	
FSA Math			33%	57%	
Demographics					
Total students			530		
Black students			450	85.9%	
White students			39	7.4%	
Other/minority students			41	7.7%	
Gifted students			No data	No data	
Students with exceptionalities			168	31.7%	
Free and reduced lunch rate				84%	
Teachers			36		
Black teachers			20	55.6%	
White teachers			13	36.1%	
Other/minority teachers			3	8.4%	
0-5 years experience			21	46.7%	
6-14 years experience			15	33.3%	
15+ years experience			9	20%	
PINEVIEW			GRADE: C		
			Address: 2230 Lake Bradford Road Phone: 488-2819 School times: 8:30 a.m.-2:50 p.m. Principal: Carmen Conner Website: https://www.leonschools.net/pineview		
Academics					
Scoring at/above grade level:			2017-'18	2018-'19	
FSA ELA			25%	32%	
FSA Math			33%	49%	
Demographics					
Total students			365		
Black students			303	83.2%	
White students			15	4.1%	
Other/minority students			46	12.6%	
Gifted students			No data	No data	
Students with exceptionalities			73	20%	
Free and reduced lunch				82%	
Teachers			26		
Black teachers			15	57.7%	
White teachers			11	42.3%	
Other/minority teachers			0	0%	
0-5 years experience			11	35.5%	
6-14 years experience			11	35.5%	
15+ years experience			9	29%	
RILEY			GRADE: D		
			Address: 1400 Indiana Street Phone: 488-5840 School times: 8:15 a.m.-2:50 p.m. Principal: April Knight Website: https://www.leonschools.net/riley		
Academics					
Scoring at/above grade level:			2017-'18	2018-'19	
FSA ELA			34%	26%	
FSA Math			51%	40%	
Demographics					
Total students			623		
Black students			520	84%	
White students			32	5.2%	
Other/minority students			67	10.8%	
Gifted students			No data	No data	
Students with exceptionalities			99	15.9%	
Free and reduced lunch rate				85%	
Teachers			39		
Black teachers			30	76.9%	
White teachers			8	20.5%	
Other/minority teachers			1	2.6%	
0-5 years experience			16	47.1%	
6-14 years experience			9	26.5%	
15+ years experience			9	26.5%	
ROBERTS			GRADE: A		
			Address: 5777 Pimlico Drive Phone: 488-0923 School times: 8:30 a.m.-2:50 p.m. Principal: Kim McFarland Website: https://www.leonschools.net/roberts		
Academics					
Scoring at/above grade level:			2017-'18	2018-'19	
FSA ELA			81%	83%	
FSA Math			80%	86%	
Demographics					
Total students			857		
Black students			109	12.7%	
White students			660	77.2%	
Other/minority students			86	10.1%	
Gifted students			71	8.3%	
Students with exceptionalities			165	19.3%	
Free and reduced lunch rate				24%	
Teachers			56		
Black teachers			6	10.7%	
White teachers			45	80.4%	
Other/minority teachers			5	8.9%	
0-5 years experience			8	14.5%	
6-14 years experience			20	36.4%	
15+ years experience			27	49.1%	

Grades&Stats: Elementary Schools

RUEDIGER

GRADE: C



Address:

526 W. 10th Ave.

Phone:

488-1074

School times:

8:30 a.m.-2:50 p.m.

Principal:

Sally Stephens

Website:

https://www.leonschools.net/ruediger

Academics


Scoring at/above grade level:	2017-'18	2018-'19
FSA ELA	41%	48%
FSA Math	54%	61%

Demographics

Total students	543	
Black students	407	75.9%
White students	65	12.1%
Other/minority students	64	11.9%
Gifted students	No data	No data
Students with exceptionalities	124	22.8%
Free and reduced lunch rate		72%
Teachers	36	
Black teachers	14	38.9%
White teachers	20	55.6%
Other/minority teachers	2	5.6%
0-5 years experience	9	25%
6-14 years experience	15	41.7%
15+ years experience	12	33.3%

SPRINGWOOD

GRADE: C



Address:

3801 Fred George Road

Phone:

488-6225

School time:

8:30 a.m.-2:50 p.m.

Principal:

Sylvia Myers

Website:

https://www.leonschools.net/Springwood

Academics


Scoring at/above grade level:	2017-'18	2018-'19
FSA ELA	47%	47%
FSA Math	50%	64%

Demographics

Total students	618	
Black students	438	71%
White students	106	17.2%
Other/minority students	73	11.8%
Gifted students	No data	No data
Students with exceptionalities	139	
Free and reduced lunch rate		61%
Teachers	42	
Black teachers	20	47.6%
White teachers	21	50%
Other/minority teachers	1	2.4%
0-5 years experience	12	30%
6-14 years experience	16	40%
15+ years experience	12	30%

SABAL PALM

GRADE: B



Address:

2813 Ridgeway Street 32304

Phone:

488-0167

Principal:

Anicia Robinson

Website:

https://www.leonschools.net/sabalpalm

Academics


Scoring at/above grade level:	2017-'18	2018-'19
FSA ELA	40%	45%
FSA Math	47%	58%

Demographics

Total students	520	
Black students	374	72.5%
White students	66	12.8%
Other/minority students	76	14.8%
Gifted students	No data	No data
Students with exceptionalities	120	23.1%
Free and reduced lunch		86%
Teachers	35	
Black teachers	15	42.9%
White teachers	17	48.6%
Other/minority teachers	3	8.6%
0-5 years experience	19	51.4%
6-14 years experience	5	13.5%
15+ years experience	13	35.1%

KATE SULLIVAN

GRADE: B



Address:

927 Miccosukee Road

Phone:

487-1216

School time:

8:30 a.m.-2:50 p.m.

Principal:

Michael Bryan

Website:

https://www.leonschools.net/sullivan

Academics


Scoring at/above grade level:	2017-'18	2018-'19
FSA ELA	54%	59%
FSA Math	52%	63%

Demographics

Total students	771	
Black students	370	48.3%
White students	299	39%
Other/minority students	97	12.6%
Gifted students	13	1.7%
Students with exceptionalities	101	13.1%
Free and reduced lunch rate		41%
Teachers	49	
Black teachers	11	22.4%
White teachers	36	73.5%
Other/minority teachers	2	4%
0-5 years experience	19	36.5%
6-14 years experience	17	32.7%
15+ years experience	16	30.8%

SEALEY

GRADE: B



Address:

2815 Allen Road

Phone:

488-5640

School times:

8:15 a.m.-2:50 p.m.

Principal:

Demetria Jett Clemons

Website:

https://www.leonschools.net/sealey

Academics


Scoring at/above grade level:	2017-'18	2018-'19
FSA ELA	57%	61%
FSA Math	58%	69%

Demographics

Total students	476	
Black students	294	62.2%
White students	130	27.5%
Other/minority students	49	10.4%
Gifted students	No data	No data
Students with exceptionalities	96	20.2%
Free and reduced lunch rate		53%
Teachers	33	
Black teachers	9	27.3%
White teachers	24	72.7%
Other/minority teachers	0	0%
0-5 years experience	11	31.4%
6-14 years experience	8	22.9%
15+ years experience	16	45.7%

WOODVILLE (K-8)

GRADE: C



Address:

9373 Woodville Highway

Phone:

487-7043

School time:

8:30 a.m.-2:50 p.m.

Principal:

Lisa Mehr

Website:

https://www.leonschools.net/woodville




Academics

Scoring at/above grade level:	2017-'18	2018-'19
FSA ELA	44%	41%
FSA Math	47%	43%

Demographics







Total students	572	
Black students	217	38.2%
White students	263	46.3%
Other/minority students	88	15.4%
Gifted students	No data	No data
Students with exceptionalities	117	20.5%
Free and reduced lunch rate		65%
Teachers	39	
Black teachers	8	20.5%
White teachers	27	69.2%
Other/minority teachers	4	10.3%
0-5 years experience	10	27%
6-14 years experience	16	43.2%
15+ years experience	11	29.8%

Grades&Stats: Middle Schools

COBB	GRADE: B	DEERLAKE	GRADE: A	FAIRVIEW	GRADE: B
 <div>Address: 915 Hillcrest Phone: 488-3364 School time: 9:30 a.m.-3:50 p.m. Principal: Sarah Hembree Website: https://www.leonschools.net/cobb</div>		 <div>Address: 9902 Deerlake Road W. Phone: 922-6545 School time: 9:30 a.m.-3:50 p.m. Principal: Stephen Mills Website: https://www.leonschools.net/deerlake</div>		 <div>Address: 3415 Zillah St. Phone: 488-6880 School time: 9:30 a.m.-3:50 p.m. Principal: Rusty Edwards Website: https://www.leonschools.net/fairview</div>	
Academics		Academics		Academics	
Scoring at/above grade level:	2017-'18	2018-'19	Scoring at/above grade level:	2017-'18	2018-'19
FSA ELA	59%	62%	FSA ELA	81%	77%
FSA Math	62%	64%	FSA Math	87%	84%
Demographics			Demographics		
Total students	870		Total students	992	
Black students	498	57.7%	Black students	105	10.6%
White students	270	31.3%	White students	696	70.5%
Other/minority students	95	11.1%	Other/minority students	186	18.9%
Gifted students	50	5.7%	Gifted students	120	12.1%
Students with exceptionalities	91	10.5%	Students with exceptionalities	103	10.4%
Free and reduced lunch rate		39%	Free and reduced lunch rate		13%
Teachers	45		Teachers	45	
Black teachers	12	26.7%	Black teachers	2	4.4%
White teachers	31	68.9%	White teachers	38	84.4%
Other/minority teachers	2	4.4%	Other/minority teachers	5	11.1%
0-5 years experience	16	35.6%	0-5 years experience	12	22.2%
6-14 years experience	17	37%	6-14 years experience	13	24.1%
15+ years experience	13	28.3%	15+ years experience	29	53.7%

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Grades&Stats: Middle and High Schools

SWIFT CREEK			GRADE: A		
<div><div>Address: 2100 Pedrick Road Phone: 414-2670 School time: 9:30 a.m.-3:50 p.m. Principal: Sue Rishell Website: https://www.leonschools.net/swiftcreek</div></div>					
Academics					
Scoring at/above grade level:			2017-'18	2018-'19	
FSA ELA			67%	65%	
FSA Math			68%	69%	
Demographics					
Total students			791		
Black students			246	31.3%	
White students			416	52.9%	
Other/minority students			125	15.9%	
Gifted students			38	4.8%	
Students with exceptionalities			93	11.8%	
Free and reduced lunch rate				32%	
Teachers			40		
Black teachers			5	12.5%	
White teachers			30	75%	
Other/minority teachers			5	12.5%	
0-5 years experience			11	25%	
6-14 years experience			18	41%	
15+ years experience			15	34.1%	
LEON			GRADE: A		
<div><div>Address: 550 E. Tennessee St. Phone: 617-5700 School time: 7:30 a.m.-1:50 p.m. Principal: Billy Epting Website: https://www.leonschools.net/leon</div></div>					
Academics					
Scoring at/above grade level:			2017-'18	2018-'19	
FSA ELA			67%	70%	
FSA Math			67%	71%	
Demographics					
Total students			2,085		
Black students			687	33%	
White students			1,132	54.4%	
Other/minority students			262	12.6%	
Gifted students			146	7%	
Students with exceptionalities			172	8.2%	
Free and reduced lunch rate				26%	
Teachers			94		
Black teachers			6	6.4%	
White teachers			82	87.2%	
Other/minority teachers			6	6.4%	
0-5 years experience			30	29%	
6-14 years experience			33	32%	
15+ years experience			40	38.8%	
CHILES			GRADE: A		
<div><div>Address: 7200 Lawton Chiles Lane Phone: 488-1756 School time: 7:30 a.m.-1:50 p.m. Principal: Joe Burgess Website: https://www.leonschools.net/chiles</div></div>					
Academics					
Scoring at/above grade level:			2017-'18	2018-'19	
FSA ELA			79%	80%	
FSA Math			74%	77%	
Demographics					
Total students			2,077		
Black students			184	8.9%	
White students			1,581	76.4%	
Other/minority students			304	14.7%	
Gifted students			203	9.8%	
Students with exceptionalities			148	7.1%	
Free and reduced lunch rate				9%	
Teachers			86		
Black teachers			6	7%	
White teachers			76	88.4%	
Other/minority teachers			4	4.7%	
0-5 years experience			15	15.3%	
6-14 years experience			32	32.7%	
15+ years experience			51	52%	
LINCOLN			GRADE: B		
<div><div>Address: 2828 Trojan Trail Phone: 487-2110 School time: 7:30 a.m.-1:50 p.m. Principal: Allen Burch Website: https://www.leonschools.net/lincoln</div></div>					
Academics					
Scoring at/above grade level:			2017-'18	2018-'19	
FSA ELA			62%	63%	
FSA Math			54%	60%	
Demographics					
Total students			2,094		
Black students			745	35.6%	
White students			1,041	49.8%	
Other/minority students			306	14.6%	
Gifted students			106	5.1%	
Students with exceptionalities			211	10.1%	
Free and reduced lunch				26%	
Teachers			91		
Black teachers			10	11%	
White teachers			71	78%	
Other/minority teachers			10	11%	
0-5 years experience			35	34%	
6-14 years experience			32	31.1%	
15+ years experience			36	35%	
GODBY			GRADE: C		
<div><div>Address: 1717 W. Tharpe St. Phone: 617-4700 School time: 7:30 a.m.-1:50 p.m. Principal: Desmond Cole Website: https://www.leonschools.net/godby</div></div>					
Academics					
Scoring at/above grade level:			2017-'18	2018-'19	
FSA ELA			36%	33%	
FSA Math			36%	36%	
Demographics					
Total students			1,338		
Black students			1,000	75.2%	
White students			186	14%	
Other/minority students			143	10.8%	
Gifted students			No data	No data	
Students with exceptionalities			154	11.5%	
Free and reduced lunch				58%	
Teachers			62		
Black teachers			19	30.6%	
White teachers			35	56.5%	
Other/minority teachers			8	12.9%	
0-5 years experience			35	46.1%	
6-14 years experience			18	23.7%	
15+ years experience			23	30.3%	
RICKARDS			GRADE: B		
<div><div>Address: 3013 Jim Lee Road Phone: 414-5500 School time: 7:30 a.m.-1:50 p.m. Principal: Doug Cook Website: https://www.leonschools.net/rickards</div></div>					
Academics					
Scoring at/above grade level:			2017-'18	2018-'19	
FSA ELA			39%	40%	
FSA Math			39%	45%	
Demographics					
Total students			1,352		
Black students			1,049	77.6%	
White students			111	8.2%	
Other/minority students			191	14.1%	
Gifted students			32	2.4%	
Students with exceptionalities			143	10.6%	
Free and reduced lunch				56%	
Teachers			62		
Black teachers			33	53.2%	
White teachers			23	37.1%	
Other/minority teachers			6	9.7%	
0-5 years experience			23	28.8%	
6-14 years experience			31	38.8%	
15+ years experience			26	32.5%	

Grades&Stats: High Schools and Charter Schools

SAIL GRADE: B



Address: 2006 Jackson Bluff
Phone: 488-2468
School time: 8 a.m.-2:45 p.m.
Principal: Tiffany Williams
Website: <https://www.leonschools.net/sail>

Academics

Scoring at/above grade level:	2017-'18	2018-'19
FSA ELA	60%	57%
FSA Math	44%	48%

Demographics

Total students	391
Black students	5714.6%
White students	29575.6%
Other/minority students	389.7%
Gifted students	194.9%
Students with exceptionalities	6316.1%
Free and reduced lunch rate	35%
Teachers	22
Black teachers	29.1%
White teachers	1777.3%
Other/minority teachers	313.6%
0-5 years experience	623.1%
6-14 years experience	1350%
15+ years experience	727%

SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SCIENCES ON THOMASVILLE GRADE: A



Address: 3208 Thomasville Road
Phone: 386-6566
School hours: 9:00 a.m.-3:40 p.m.
Principal: Eirin Lombardo
Website: <http://www.schoolofartsandsciences.org/sas-on-thomasville/>

Academics

Scoring at/above grade level:	2017-'18	2018-'19
FSA ELA	78%	82%
FSA Math	77%	74%

Demographics

Total students	423
Black students	8620.5%
White students	27365%
Other/minority students	6114.5%
Gifted students	337.8%
Students with exceptionalities	4410.4%
Free and reduced lunch rate	11%
Teachers	38
Black teachers	37.9%
White teachers	3284.2%
Other/minority teachers	37.9%
0-5 years experience	No data
6-14 years experience	No data
15+ years experience	No data

LEON VIRTUAL SCHOOL GRADE: A



Address: 860 Blountstown St.
Phone: 488-2087
Principal: Jessica Lowe
Website: <https://www.leonschools.net/virtualschool>

Academics

Scoring at/above grade level:	2017-'18	2018-'19
FSA ELA	100%	91%
FSA Math	83%	76%

Demographics

Total students	No data
Black students	No data
White students	No data
Other/minority students	No data
Gifted students	No data
Students with exceptionalities	No data
Free and reduced lunch rate	No data
Teachers	No data
Black teachers	No data
White teachers	No data
Other/minority teachers	No data

SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SCIENCES AT THE CENTRE GRADE: B



Address: 2415 N. Monroe St. Suite 2700
Phone: 999.8267
School hours: 9:00 a.m.-3:40 p.m.
Principal: Lindsey Merrick
Website: <http://www.schoolofartsandsciences.org/sas-at-the-centre/>

Academics

Scoring at/above grade level:	2017-'18	2018-'19
FSA ELA	81%	79%
FSA Math	79%	74%

Demographics

Total students	258
Black students	3714.9%
White students	16867.5%
Other/minority students	4417.6%
Gifted students	135%
Students with exceptionalities	2911.2%
Free and reduced lunch rate	5%
Teachers	22
Black teachers	00%
White teachers	2195.5%
Other/minority teachers	14.5%
0-5 years experience	No data
6-14 years experience	No data
15+ years experience	No data

GOVERNORS CHARTER ACADEMY GRADE: C



Address: 4351 Mahan Drive
Phone: 391-5259
School hours: 8:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
Principal: Amy Reynolds
Website: www.governorscharter.org

Academics

Scoring at/above grade level:	2017-'18	2018-'19
FSA ELA	41%	42%
FSA Math	35%	48%

Demographics

Total students	511
Black students	36070.7%
White students	7915.5%
Other/minority students	7013.8%
Gifted students	No dataNo data
Students with exceptionalities	5711.2%
Free and reduced lunch rate	18%
Teachers	46
Black teachers	2145.7%
White teachers	2043.5%
Other/minority teachers	510.9%
0-5 years experience	No data
6-14 years experience	No data
15+ years experience	No data

TALLAHASSEE SCHOOL OF MATH AND SCIENCE GRADE: A



Address: 3434 North Monroe Street 32303
Phone: 681-7827
School hours: 8:15 a.m.-2:53 p.m.
Principal: Ahmet Temel
Website: <http://schoolofmathandscience.org/>

Academics

Scoring at/above grade level:	2017-'18	2018-'19
FSA ELA	56%	59%
FSA Math	51%	64%

Demographics

Total students	436
Black students	18342.5%
White students	13731.8%
Other/minority students	11125.7%
Gifted students	No dataNo data
Students with exceptionalities	368.3%
Free and reduced lunch rate	51%
Teachers	27
Black teachers	311.1%
White teachers	2281.5%
Other/minority teachers	27.4%
0-5 years experience	No data
6-14 years experience	No data
15+ years experience	No data

Districtwide/Special Schools

ADULT AND COMMUNITY EDUCATION SCHOOL



Address: 526 N. Appleyard Drive, 32304
Phone: 717-2020
School hours: 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m. (M-W-TH); 7:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m. (Tues.); 7:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. (Fri.)
Principal: Regina Browning
Website: www.aceleon.org

GRETCHEN EVERHART



Address: 2750 Mission Road, 32304
Phone: 488-5785
School hours: 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
Principal: Jane Floyd-Bullen
Website: <https://www.leonschools.net/everhart>

HERITAGE TRAILS COMMUNITY SCHOOL



Address: 283 Trojan Trail
Phone: 488-8927
School hours: 9:15 a.m.-3:15 p.m.
Principal: Amy Alvis
Website: <https://www.leonschools.net/HeritageTrails>

LIVELY TECHNICAL COLLEGE



Address: 500 N. Appleyard Drive, 32304
Phone: 487-7555
School hours: 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. (4-day); 8:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m. (2-day)
Principal: Shelly Bell
Website: <https://www.livelytech.com/secondchance>



Bond Elementary School students walk home after their 2:50 p.m. dismissal Nov. 29, 2018.
TORI SCHNEIDER/TALLAHASSEE DEMOCRAT

SECOND CHANCE



Address: 2514 W. Tharpe St.
Phone: 921-1250
School hours: 7:30 a.m. -1:50 p.m.
Principal: Genae Crump
Website: <https://www.leon.schools.net/secondchance>

SUCCESS ACADEMY AT GHAZVINI LEARNING CENTER



Address: 850 Blountstown Hwy 32304
Phone: 488-2087
School hours: 8:30 a.m. -2:50 p.m.
Principal: Jessica Lowe
Website: <https://www.leonschools.net/successacademy>



Kindergarten teacher Lynn Merriman works with student Blake Miller at W.T. Moore Elementary School Oct. 22, 2018, as the school celebrated its 50th anniversary.
TORI SCHNEIDER/
TALLAHASSEE DEMOCRAT

LEON COUNTY SCHOOLS OVERALL

GRADE: B

Demographics

Total students	34,268	
Black students	14,934	43.6%
White students	14,438	42.1%
Other/minority students	4,778	14%
Gifted students	1,415	4.13%
Students with exceptionalities	5,238	15.3%
Free and reduced lunch		42%
Teachers	2,058	
Black teachers	501	24.3%
White teachers	1,424	69.2%
Other/minority teachers	129	6.3%
0-5 years experience	598	30.6%
6-14 years experience	657	33.6%
15+ years experience	702	35.9%

LEON COUNTY ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Demographics

Total students	15,200	
Black students	6,990	46%
White students	6,041	39.7%
Other/minority students	2,074	13.7%
Gifted students	Roughly 381	2.5%
Students with exceptionalities	2,820	18.6%
Teachers	1,205	
Black teachers	282	23.4%
White teachers	656	54.4%
Other/minority teachers	52	4.3%
0-5 years experience	334	30.2%
6-14 years experience	367	33.2%
15+ years experience	406	36.7%

Schools include: Apalachee, Astoria Park, Bond, Buck Lake, Canopy Oaks, Chaires, Conley, DeSoto Trail, Ft. Braden, Gilchrist, Hartsfield, Hawks Rise, Kate Sullivan, Killearn Lakes, W.T. Moore, Oak Ridge, Pineview, Riley, Rogers, Ruediger, Sabal Palm, Sealey, Springwood, Woodville

LEON COUNTY HIGH SCHOOLS

Demographics

Total students	9,337	
Black students	3,960	42.4%
White students	4,346	46.5%
Other/minority students	1,616	17.3%
Gifted students	506	5.4%
Students with exceptionalities	891	9.5%
Teachers	417	
Black teachers	76	21.1%
White teachers	304	72.9%
Other/minority teachers	37	8.9%
0-5 years experience	144	15%
6-14 years experience	486	50.8%
15+ years experience	327	34.2%

Schools include: Chiles, Godby, Leon, Lincoln, Rickards and SAIL

Work with teachers to support child's education



Scott Mazur
Leon County Teacher's
Association

A key to any positive relationship is communication. Public education is the result of all stakeholders building relationships through an inclusive process to meet the needs of students. Participation in the process at a school allows you to be a part of the shared-decision making, which affects your child. It takes patience, participation, and empathy by all vested parties.

Teachers have worked tirelessly this summer reflecting on last year and enhancing their expertise by participating in professional development, preparing their rooms, ensuring a respectful and safe environment to learn, and planning engaging lessons. We do this because we understand there is no greater responsibility than to provide a positive learning environment which fosters a love of learning.

This environment is not created in isolation but in relationships with parents, teachers, administrators, local businesses, and community organizations who work towards the common goal of a student's best interest.

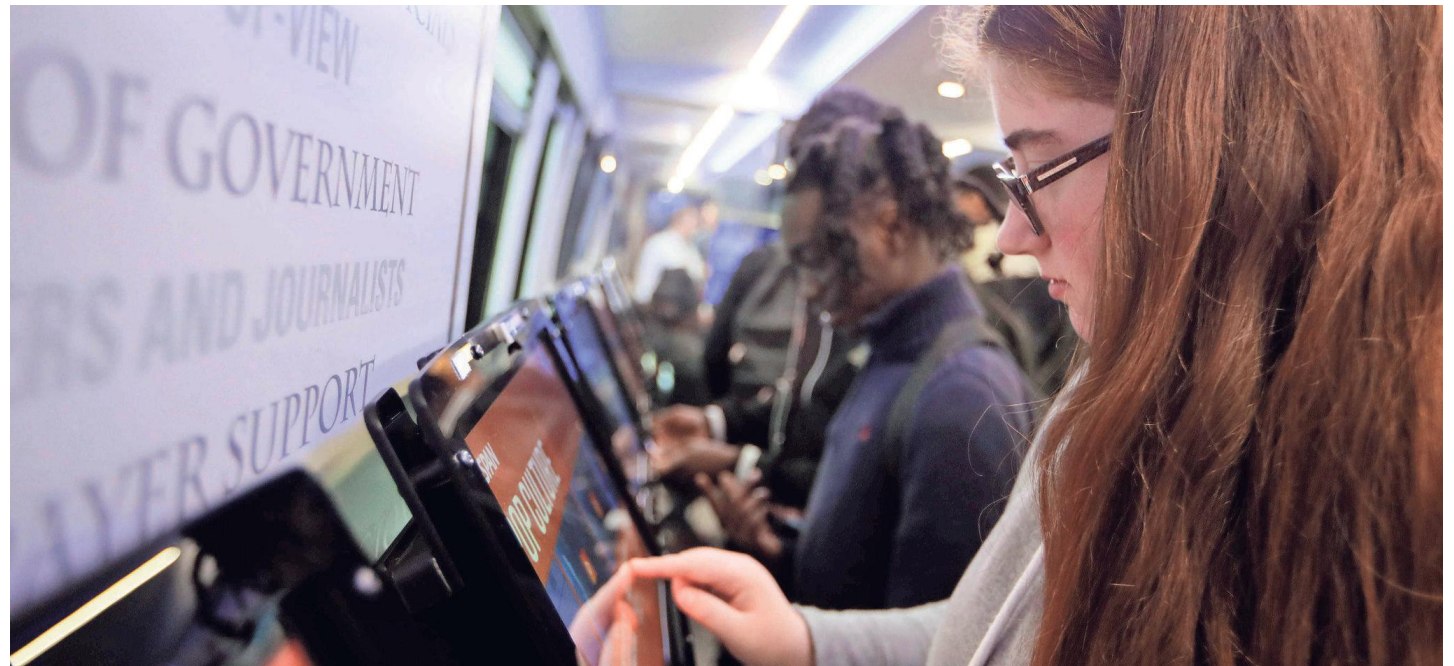
Leon Classroom Teachers Association, Leon County Schools, and parents have a common goal of ensuring that each child has a caring, highly trained, and effective educator in each classroom who values what makes your child special and can meet their needs.

Consequently, educators across the district have been working to ensure each student will have a welcoming environment that inspires curiosity, embraces the diverse needs of each learner, and creates a safe and secure environment for each student to grow and reach their full potential. Leon County Teachers are educational professionals who recognize the importance of their role in your child's life.

Therefore, here are a few tips to help make the 2019 – 2020 school year successful.

- Attend scheduled orientations, open houses, and parent-teacher conferences.

- Support, cooperate and respect your child's teachers and the work they do. They want your child to experience



success as much as you, the parents.

- Advocate for excellence and equity in your child's schools and our community's school system by participating in your School Advisory Council (SAC) and Parent Teacher Organization (PTO.)

- Support your child at home by providing consistent procedures for completing homework and studying with mutually agreed upon natural consequences which support positive behaviors.

- Share about your day and ask your child to share about theirs to show an interest in what they are learning in school.

- Consider placing limits on electronic devices and social media during the school week.

- Model skills by reading to and in front of your child daily and involving them in day to day math opportunities such as grocery shopping.

- Engage at every stage of your child's education in our schools, from pre-kindergarten through high school graduation.

The teachers of the Leon Classroom Teachers Association are ready to listen and work with you to see that your child has a wonderful school experience.

Best wishes for a great school year.

Scott Mazur is president of the Leon Classroom Teachers Association. He previously taught math at Killearn Lakes Elementary School.

Casey Knowles, 17, scrolls through the choices of activities on the tablets inside the C-SPAN bus as it makes a stop at the Ghazvini Learning Center, allowing Success Academy and Second Chance students to come aboard the bus and learn about C-SPAN Monday, Dec. 3, 2018. TORI SCHNEIDER/TALLAHASSEE DEMOCRAT

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Schools

Wakulla Pre-K Eaglets
Wakulla Education Center, 87
Andrew J. Hargrett Sr. Road,
Crawfordville
Hours: 9 a.m.-noon
850-926-8111

Crawfordville Elementary
379 Arran Road, Crawfordville
Hours: 8:55 a.m.-3:25 p.m.
850-926-3641
Medart Elementary
2558 Coastal Hwy, Crawford-
ville
Hours: 8:55 a.m.-3:25 p.m.
850-962-4881
Riversink Elementary
530 Lonnie Raker Lane, Craw-
fordville
Hours: 8:55 a.m.-3:25 p.m.
850-926-2664

Shadeville Elementary
45 Warrior Way, Crawfordville
Hours: 8:55 a.m.-3:25 p.m.
850-926-7155
Riversprings Middle School
800 Springcreek Hwy, Craw-
fordville
Hours: 7:35 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
850-926-2300
Wakulla Middle School
22 Jean Drive, Crawfordville
Hours: 7:35 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
850-926-7143

Wakulla High School
3237 Coastal Hwy, Crawford-
ville
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Phone: 850-643-2601, ext. 242

**Hosford Elementary and Jr.
High School**
Hours: 7:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
16864 NE State Road 65, Hos-
ford
850-379-8480
W.R. Tolar K-8
Hours: 8:30 a.m.-3:20 p.m.
14745 NW County Road 12,
Bristol
850-643-2426

Liberty County High School
Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 3:29 p.m.
Wednesday dismissal is 2:30
p.m.
12529 NW Myers Ann Street,
Bristol
850-643-2241
Liberty Learning Center
12926 NW CR 12, Bristol
850-643-2275, ext. 235
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11109 NW State Road 20,
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Schools

**Chatahoochee Elementary
School**
335 Maple St., Chatahoochee,
FL, 32324
Hours: 8:40 a.m. - 3:40p.m
850-662-2080
www.ces.gcps.k12.fl.us
**George W. Munroe Elementary
School**
1830 W King St., Quincy, FL,
32351
Hours: 8:40am - 3:40pm
850-875-8800
www.gwmes.gcps.k12.fl.us

**Greensboro Elementary
School**
559 Greensboro Highway,
Quincy, FL, 32351
Hours: 8:30 a.m. - 3:45 p.m.
850-442-6327
www.ges.gcps.k12.fl.us
**Stewart Street Elementary
School**
749 S. Stewart St., Quincy, FL,
32351
Hours: 8:40 a.m. - 3:40 p.m.
850-627-3145;
www.sses.gcps.k12.fl.us
**Gadsden Elementary Magnet
School (PK-8)**
500 W King St., Quincy, FL,
32351
Hours: 8 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
850-627-7557
www.gems.gcps.k12.fl.us

Havana Magnet School (PK-8)
1210 Kemp Road, Havana, FL,
32333
Hours: 8:45 a.m. - 3:45 p.m.
850-662-2750
www.hms.gcps.k12.fl.us
**James A. Shanks Middle
School**
1400 W. King St., Quincy, FL,
32351
Hours: 8:50 a.m. – 3:50 p.m.
850-875-8737 ext. 3101
www.jasms.gcps.k12.fl.us
West Gadsden Middle School
200 Providence Road, Quincy,
FL, 32351
Hours: 8 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
850-442-9500
www.wghs.gcps.k12.fl.us

Gadsden Central Academy
655 S. Stewart St., Quincy, FL,
32351
Hours: 7:45 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
850-875-7249
www.gadsdencentral.fl.g-
ca.schoolinsites.com
Gadsden County High School
27001 Blue Star Memorial Hwy,
Havana, FL, 32333
Hours: 7:40 a.m. - 2:45 p.m.
850-662-2300
www.eghs.gcps.k12.fl.us/

Charter Schools

**Carter-Parramore Academy
(Grades 4-12)**
631 S. Stewart St., Quincy, FL
32351
Hours: 7:35 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
850-627-6030
www.cpa.gcps.k12.fl.us

Crossroad Academy (PK-8)
470 Strong Road, Quincy, FL,
32351
Hours: 7:45 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
850-875-9626
www.crossroad.gcps.k12.fl.us

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FRANKLIN COUNTY SCHOOLS

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Schools

Franklin County School (Pre-K - 12)
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Eastpoint, FL, 32328
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Apalachicola Bay Charter School (Pre-k - grade 8)
98 12th St.
Apalachicola, FL, 32320
850-653-1222
Principal: Chimene Johnson, 850-653-1222 ext. 16

School Board

Regularly scheduled board workshops are at 5:30 p.m. on the third Monday of each month and regular meetings are at 6 p.m. the fourth Thursday of every month. All workshops and meetings are held in the Willie Speed Board Room, 85 School Road, Eastpoint, FL, 32328.

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JEFFERSON COUNTY SCHOOLS

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Schools

Jefferson County K-12, a Somerset School
50 David Road
Monticello, FL 32344
850-997-3555

School Board

Regular School Board Meetings of the Jefferson County School Board are held on the second Monday of every month. Meetings are held at 6 p.m. in the board room, 1490 West Washington St., Monticello.

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TAYLOR COUNTY SCHOOLS

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318 N Clark St.
Perry, FL, 32347

Schools

Perry Primary School (K-2)
400 N Clark St., Perry FL, 32347
Hours: 7:15 a.m. - 2:35 p.m.
850-838-2506
Steinhatchee School (K-8)
1109 1st Avenue SE, Steinhatchee FL, 32359
Hours: 8 a.m. - 2:55 p.m.
352-498-3303
Taylor County Elementary (3-5)
1600 E Green St., Perry FL, 32347
Hours: 7:40 p.m. - 2:25 p.m.
850-838-2530
Taylor County Middle School
610 East Lafayette St., Perry FL, 32347
Hours: 7:45 a.m. - 2:45 p.m.
850-838-2516


Taylor County High School
900 Johnson Stripling Road, Perry FL, 32347
Hours: 7:30 a.m. - 2:25 p.m.
850-838-2525
Taylor County Pre-K
508 N. Aquinaldo Ave., Perry FL, 32347
Hours: 7:30 a.m. - 2:15 p.m.
850-838-2535

School Board

Regular business meetings of the School Board of Taylor County are held on the first and third Tuesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. in the Boardroom at the Alton J. Wentworth Administrative Complex, 318 N. Clark St., Perry, FL.


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